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Doggy rehab

The Pawsh Dog hydrotherapist Kaitlyn Stodgell gets a kiss from nine-year-old Rottweiler Amica, after a hydrotherapy session. The young entrepreneur is offering a new kind of therapy for four-legged friends. Story, **MetroNEWS**. DAVE BAXTER/METRO

Penalties get tougher for texting drivers

PENALTY

Phone use to mean five demerit points

The Manitoba government is bringing in stiffer penalties for people who drive while impaired or while using a cellphone.

Drivers found to be talking or texting on handheld mobile phones will be dinged five demerit points — up from the current two — starting July 1.

The move will force convicted drivers to pay up to several hundred more dollars each year for vehicle registration and insurance.

The exact amount will depend on how many demerit points the driver has already.

The Canadian Automobile Association welcomed the move.

"We would love to see talking on your phone or texting (while driving) as being a socially unacceptable behaviour," association spokesman Mike Mager said.

"We're not there yet. Ninety per cent of our members just recently surveyed said that they regularly see — every day — somebody talking on their phone."

The province is also

proposing a crackdown on impaired driving.

A bill introduced in the legislature Thursday would increase the automatic licence suspension given to drivers with a blood-alcohol level of between .05 and .08.

The current 24-hour suspension would be increased to 72 hours and would stretch to a week if a child under 16 were in the vehicle.

Justice Minister Gord Mackintosh said impaired-driving rates have dropped, but are still not low enough.

"An appalling one-in-three fatal collisions on Manitoba's roads involves drivers who have been drinking," he said.

The proposed legislation also looks to remove a loophole that currently allows some people convicted of impaired driving to avoid having breathalyzers installed on their vehicle's ignition.

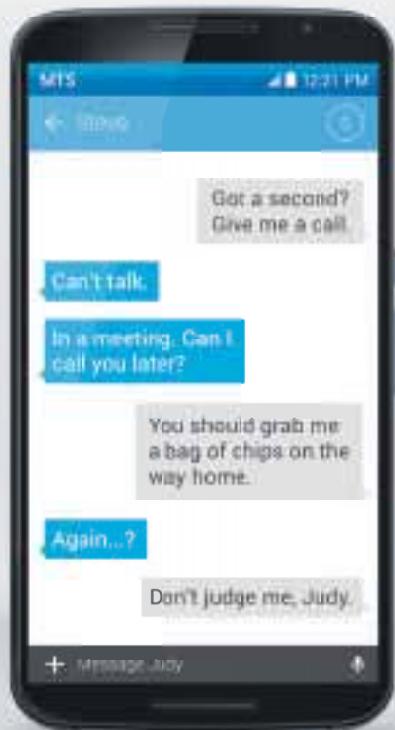
The bill contains other minor changes, including a requirement for police officers to notify the motor vehicle registry when someone is convicted of a serious offence.

The change would allow officials at the registry to immediately suspend a licence or take other action.

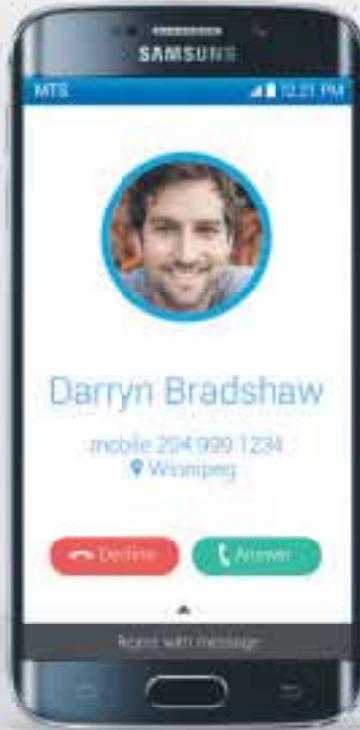
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Woman dreams of a safe space for inner-city youth

WEST END

Friday meeting will outline details of plan

Dave Baxter
Metro | Winnipeg

A Winnipeg woman says the city's youth need a "safe space" and she's now working to make that dream a reality.

Kimberley Bouvette has spent years working with youth in Winnipeg's inner city, but a recent tragedy has now pushed her to do something more.

"I've always been a bit of a mama bear and done a lot of work with people and families and kids," said Bouvette. "But the Tina Fontaine thing was my breaking point."

She is now looking to set up a 24-hour safe space in Winnipeg's west end where youth can go to feel secure and stay overnight if they need to.

Bouvette also wants it to be a place where youth can talk about whatever issues they are dealing with.



Our teens are just not being heard, so we need to listen.

Kimberley Bouvette

"I want to hear them and I want to keep them safe."

Bouvette thinks a safe space would be a way to push kids away from high-risk situations.

"A lot of our kids come in from the rural reserves and they have nowhere to go and nothing to do. So they often stay in places they don't want to stay and end up doing things they don't want to do."

Bouvette has now teamed up with Spence Neighbourhood Association executive director Jamil Mahmood, who is working to get the project off the ground.

He said they need funding to get a building and to run it and will be looking for private donations as well as grants from all levels of government.

Mahmood said that for a facility to be open only on weekends and holidays they would need about \$300,000 annually, while having a place open every day of the week would cost closer to \$500,000.

"It's something we've wanted to do for a long time but didn't have the capacity," said Mahmood. "It's something we need because we need to protect the most vulnerable people."

The pair will host a public gathering at the West End Cultural Centre on Friday, taking place from 5 to 7 p.m.

The event will feature discussions about the plan and speakers who have had experience on the streets of Winnipeg and want to tell their stories.



Kimberley Bouvette, left, seen with Tina Fontaine's great-aunt Thelma Favel, is working to create a safe space for youth in Winnipeg's west end. COURTESY SPENCE NEIGHBOURHOOD ASSOCIATION

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Waving in transit's future

Colin Fast
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Boarding a transit bus will soon be as simple as a wave of the hand.

The city is in the final stages of testing its long-awaited smart-card fare system and will start introducing it to passengers in September.

"What we're looking at is rolling out implementation on a fare-class by fare-class basis," explained Winnipeg Transit director Dave Wardrop. "It will help ensure we have a functional system before we go citywide."

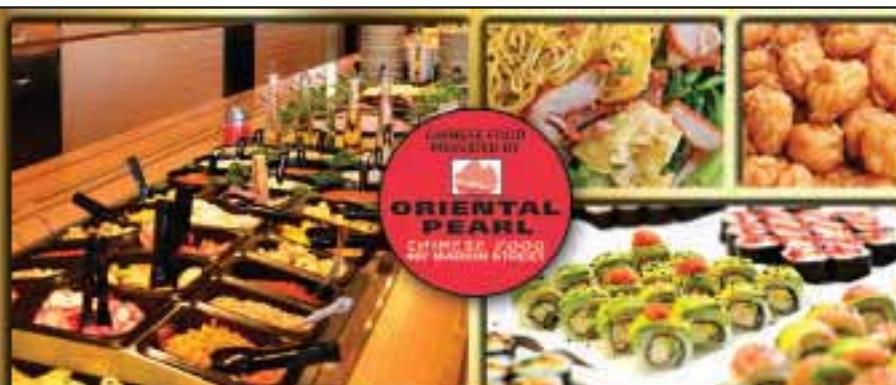
Once implemented, the system will replace printed passes and bus tickets with a refillable smart card that passengers can wave past electronic readers that have been installed on the entire transit fleet.

Wardrop said the cards will be sold at 87 retail locations throughout the city, and customers will be able to refill them in-store, online or through 311.

The \$18-million system was originally supposed to go live in September 2013. The launch was delayed several times as transit officials fine-tuned the technology. Wardrop said his department has moved cautiously to avoid the problems other cities have experienced with smart-card implementation.

"It's very complicated. In many systems, rollout has been paused or even cancelled," he said.

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CRIME

Clerk locks thief in jewelry store

No one was hurt after a thief smashed a store's jewelry case — and the clerk locked him inside the store.

Winnipeg police said a man entered a jewelry store in the 200 block of Pembina Highway Tuesday at about 4:30 p.m., confronted the clerk and demanded merchandise.

He then smashed a display case and took a large quantity of merchandise.

The clerk fought back and eventually locked the front doors. The man wasn't able to immediately escape, so he ransacked the store.

The clerk eventually let him

out, and the man took off in a Ford Edge.

Several special units caught up with the suspect about six hours later and arrested him on Provencher Boulevard near Tache Avenue, along with a passenger.

Robert Sauer, 24, faces charges, including armed robbery using a firearm, disguise with intent, and careless use of a firearm. Madeline Wight, 22, was also charged with armed robbery using a firearm. Police said they also arrested John Stengel, 29, at a home on Doucet Street. He also faces numerous charges. METRO



Grand Chief Derek Nepinak says the link between residential schools and children in care needs to be examined. METRO FILE

Chief sees 'systemic racism' in care crisis

CHILDREN

Examine link to residential school system, chief urges

else's ideas are better" when it comes to caring for aboriginal children.

His comments came in reaction to the release of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's report into the church-run, government-funded schools which operated in Canada for more than 120 years.

Manitoba has about 10,000 children in care, and most are aboriginal.

The number has skyrocketed in the last decade and the system has not been able to keep up with the need for foster homes and emergency shelters.

Recently, the provincial government promised to stop using

10,000

The approximate number of children in the government's care in Manitoba, most of whom are aboriginal.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Services Minister Kerri Irvin-Ross came after Tina Fontaine, 15, ran away from a downtown hotel where she was housed and ended up being killed and dumped in the Red River.

Last month, another 15-year-old girl in care was attacked and left clinging to life — allegedly by a boy being housed at the same hotel. Children in hotels are often supervised by employees of private contractors and not fully trained social workers.

Reducing the number of aboriginal children in foster care is one of the 94 recommendations made in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission report. THE CANADIAN PRESS

hotels as emergency placements for children in the child welfare system, although it said while Winnipeg was on track to do so by Monday's deadline, the same isn't true in rural and northern Manitoba.

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Former Winnipeg Blue Bomber Jon Oosterhuis serves up breakfast at Siloam Mission on Thursday. DAVE BAXTER/METRO

Bombers past lend a big hand

VOLUNTEERISM

Players boost spirits and awareness

Some famous football players lent a helping hand at Siloam Mission on Thursday morning, and the people who run the mission hope their presence reminds people that hunger doesn't stop in the summer months.

A group of Winnipeg Blue Bombers alumni served up breakfast to a long line of clients. Siloam Mission communications co-ordinator Reagen Peters said having famous faces come out during the warm months is a huge boost for them.

"The season of June until September is our slowest time for volunteers and donations," said Peters. "We appreciate every-

thing that comes, but it definitely slows down."

She said having the Bombers in is a way to remind people that Siloam Mission is serving hungry people all year round.

"This is really when we like to have groups like the Bombers come in. It really engages the community. They see people come in and doing good deeds, and it creates awareness."

She also said people often forget their clients are people with different interests and passions, so having the Bombers show up was a huge boost for those clients — especially the sports fans.

"It's 100 per cent exciting for them. It gives them the opportunity to talk sports with the guys and feel like a part of something."

"There is camaraderie there. They sometimes can feel alone, so that gives them some love and some hope." DAVE BAXTER/METRO

IN BRIEF

Former Manitoba bank employee pleads guilty to stealing \$33,000

A former employee at a Manitoba bank has pleaded guilty to one count of fraud over \$5,000.

Jennifer Jacqueline Krantz was charged in 2009. Other charges against her

were stayed. She pleaded guilty Tuesday to stealing the money from a bank in Roblin.

Krantz has been sentenced to 12 months house arrest, followed by two years unsupervised probation.

She must pay restitution of \$33,800.

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SCHOOL STABBING

Questions remain as murder charge laid

A 17-year-old boy has been charged with second-degree murder in a fatal stabbing at a Winnipeg high school.

The boy, who cannot be named under the Youth Criminal Justice Act, is accused of killing Brett Bourne, also 17, over the lunch hour Tuesday.

An attack against Bourne, a former student, occurred near an entrance to Kelvin High School in the River Heights neighbourhood.

“Where that knife came from, where it was taken to or where it had been ... I don’t have that information at this point.”

Const. Jason Michalyshen

Police have said Bourne was in a minor disagreement with a 16-year-old student. The 16-year-old backed off, but another student reportedly intervened and stabbed Bourne.

Police have said the dispute

may have stemmed from "relationship issues" — possibly involving a girl — but they have not gone into detail.

There are other unanswered questions, including whether the accused had brought a knife

into the school and, if so, for how long.

"The 17-year-old who has been charged obviously had possession. Where that knife came from, where it was taken to or where it had been, I can't get into those details and I don't have that information at this point," Const. Jason Michalyshen said Thursday.

"That is very likely some information that we're still sorting through." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Restroom renovation

ST. VITAL PARK

Project would turn container into needed washrooms

Dave Baxter
Metro | Winnipeg

Washrooms in St. Vital Park have become so decrepit people assume they're unfit to be used.

So St. Vital Coun. Brian Mayes hopes to have them replaced — in an environmentally friendly way.

The Summer Washroom Building at St. Vital Park was built back in 1966, and currently serves a busy area right next to the playground and soccer field.

"It's still usable, but it's in really rough shape and it just seems unsanitary," said Mayes. "So lots of people have been writing to me about it."

Mayes also said the washrooms don't properly



St. Vital Coun. Brian Mayes is hoping to replace the Summer Washroom Building at St. Vital Park soon, as the building continues to deteriorate. DAVE BAXTER/METRO

serve people's needs, or meet the city's accessibility standards.

"It's not accessible for those with disabilities and

there is no change table for infants, and it's just in really rough shape."

The city now has \$300,000 to replace the building and

the bid process for the project is underway, but they are hoping to replace it by recycling.

The city plans to use an

“It’s still usable, but it’s in really rough shape and it just seems unsanitary.”

Coun. Brian Mayes

old cargo container that is almost 50 feet long that will be dropped into the park, and converted into the new facility.

"Environmentally, it sends a good message because we are reusing," said Mayes.

Mayes said as other areas of St. Vital Park get upgraded, it's time to do the same with the washrooms.

He said when finished, the new building would have men's, women's and a family washroom, and be fully accessible.

A 2012 report says a better washroom would support more park programming, adding it needs to "be greatly altered or replaced."

IN BRIEF

Jury finds man not guilty in case of fatal fire at Winnipeg bathhouse

A jury has found a man not guilty of manslaughter in a deadly fire at a Winnipeg bathhouse.

Justin Rosdorbutko, who is 31, was charged with setting the fire at the Aquarius Bath House on Notre Dame Avenue in October 2009.

Steven Yablonski, who was 23, and 62-year-old Robert Clark died of smoke inhalation.

Yablonski, a popular local entertainer who performed as a drag queen, and Clark, who was from Saskatchewan, died of smoke inhalation, and up to 40 others escaped the massive blaze.

The fire caused about \$500,000 damage.

The original trial began in February 2014 but the judge declared a mistrial after new evidence came forward about what exactly caused the fires.

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When it comes to Tom Arnold, always expect the unexpected

When you make a phone call to Tom Arnold, expect an unexpected greeting.

"Hi. I'm with Snoop Dogg in Truro, Nova Scotia, shooting *Trailer Park Boys*," said the Los Angeles actor, writer and standup comic. "It looks like he and I will be in three episodes of Season 10."

Arnold loves the show, it turns out. "It's a dream come true. I'm here playing myself, and Snoop's playing himself. In the show, I come to meet the guys at the trailer park," he said.

Trailer Park Boys helped Arnold get his mojo back once. "My last divorce was a rough one," he explained. "My friend and I sat around and watched 50 episodes in a row, and it was a great thing."

Arnold started up a friendship with Mike Smith (Bubbles) and eventually introduced the boys to Jimmy Kimmel, who put them on his American late-night talk show.

Being the father of a two-year-old also gets Arnold excited. "My nickname for my son, Jax, is 'Bubbles' from this show," he said. "He's my best friend and, oh my God, he's funny."



L.A. actor, writer and standup comic Tom Arnold will do four shows this weekend at Rumor's Restaurant & Comedy Club.

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Returning to his stand-up roots, Arnold will appear this weekend at Rumor's Restaurant & Comedy Club to tell stories about his life, mistakes made and fatherhood.

"Having a family, I feel more tethered to the Earth.

I have something in common with most people now," he said.

Shows at Rumor's are Friday at 7:45 and 10:30 and Saturday at 7:15 and 10. Tickets are \$30 at RumorsComedyClub.com.

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Coun. Russ Wyatt says the city should be embarrassed by its track record on the underpass. COLIN FAST/FOR METRO

Wyatt slams progress on underpass

PUBLIC WORKS

Plessis Road project delayed, \$8M over budget

Colin Fast
For Metro

Councillor Russ Wyatt is tired of cost overruns and delays on city construction projects, and says it's time for a shake-up in the civic administration.

Wyatt has called for the suspension of public works director Brad Sacher and a city investigation into what he called an "out of control" process to build a new underpass on Plessis Road.

That project is now \$8.4 million over its original \$77-million budget, and the final completion date has been pushed

back by a full year to March 31, 2017. The delay has put up to \$50 million in federal and provincial funding contributions at risk.

"This is an embarrassment to the city, what's happened here with this project," Wyatt said.

Sacher said he understood Wyatt's frustration, because the Plessis underpass has been the most challenging work of his 30-year engineering career.

He pointed to the need to reroute a rail line and two oil pipelines as a significant factor in construction delays.

"It's a very complicated process and when you put those three on top of each other — the two big oil companies and the needs of CN — and we're trying to build a railway bridge and an underpass at the same time, all kinds of things can go wrong," Sacher said.

IN BRIEF

Two separate assaults investigated by police

Police are investigating two assaults in Winnipeg overnight. Officers on patrol on Carlton Street near Cumberland Avenue at about 1 a.m. saw a fight in progress and found two men had been sprayed with pepper spray and one stabbed. All

three were in stable condition. Police said a man got away on a bike.

Police were then called to the 200 block of Dufferin Avenue, where a man was found suffering from serious injuries at about 3:35 a.m. He was taken to hospital in critical condition.

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LEGISLATURE

Parties play chicken over sitting's end date

Manitoba politicians appear to be in a game of chicken about when the current legislature session might end.

The NDP government started the spring sitting three weeks later than normal this year, and has so far been unable to pass all its budget legislation and other bills in advance of next Thursday's scheduled end date.

To make up time, the government recently asked the Opposition Progressive Con-

servatives to agree to sit on Fridays, normally a day off, or into extra hours in the evenings. The Tories refused.

On Thursday, Opposition house leader Kelvin Goertzen surprised everyone when, during a sparsely attended morning sitting, he moved that the legislature sit through to Dec. 31.

The government appeared to be caught off guard and none of the NDP members objected. The motion passed, and even

Goertzen appeared surprised. "The last few days, the NDP have been saying they want to sit here for a long time, so I wanted to give them the opportunity to back up their word," he told reporters.

"I know it's a negotiating ploy that they're doing," NDP house leader Dave Chomiak said.

"We want to pass our budget and I said a long time ago we're prepared to sit as long as it takes to get our budget passed."

While Thursday's turn of events means the legislature should sit for the rest of the year, that's unlikely. The schedule can be changed by agreement between the two parties.

Chomiak accused the Tories of bluffing. "Somehow I have real difficulty thinking that people ... who aren't here after five (o'clock) or people who won't come here on Fridays are willing to sit here (until December)." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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The Pawsh Dog owner Laurel Skuba poses with nine-year-old Rotweiler Amica after a hydrotherapy session in business's the custom-built pool. DAVE BAXTER/METRO

Doggy rehab biz up for national award

ENTREPRENEUR

The Pawsh Dog among first to offer hydrotherapy

**Dave
Baxter**
For Metro | Winnipeg

A Winnipeg woman is offering pet rehabilitation by getting furry friends to jump in the pool, and now she has been nominated for a national business award.

Laurel Skuba, 31, is the owner of The Pawsh Dog, which offers typical dog services such as daycare and grooming, but the business is also one of the first places in Canada to offer hydrotherapy as a form of ca-

nine rehabilitation.

"It's my heart project, and it was very expensive to start and operate because we are bringing in new services and equipment that literally don't even exist here," said Skuba.

Skuba has sent employees to Europe to train in hydrotherapy, and also brought European experts to Winnipeg to help her build a pool where dogs can swim as a form of rehab.

She said having dogs swim can be a big help with everything from arthritis, to torn ligaments, to neurological issues, but dog hydrotherapy is still a very unknown concept in Canada.

"Anything that can be done on dry-land can be done better in the pool," said Skuba.

"We can reduce the pressure that walking or running would cause, and keep the dogs mobile longer into their lives."

She said she has helped count-

\$100K

Winning the award would mean a prize of \$100,000 for The Pawsh Dog, and Skuba said she would use the money to buy more hydrotherapy equipment including a dog treadmill that would run in the pool.

less dogs avoid surgery, or rehabilitate after major surgeries.

Skuba is now the only Manitoban named a finalist in the Business Development Bank of Canada Young Entrepreneur Award contest.

"It's awesome, and the exposure to let people know about hydrotherapy is huge because most people haven't wrapped their heads around it."



TOP CHEFS BRIDGE RESTAURANT GETS READY Executive chef Luc Jean and gerante d'accueil Irene Desaulniers next to the soon-to-be Mon Ami Louis on Esplanade Riel. Wow! Hospitality announced the hiring of the pair for their new restaurant Thursday, set to open in July. CONTRIBUTED

MacKay rejects safe injection sites

MONTREAL

Federal justice minister vows no exemption for drug use

The federal justice minister said his government will uphold Canada's drug laws in response to Montreal Mayor Denis Coderre's commitment to proceeding with safe injection sites with or without Ottawa's blessing.

The Conservative government is focused on treating drug addicts as opposed to making "more available access to often illegal drugs," Peter MacKay said Thursday.

Earlier in the day, Coderre said the city will open supervised injection facilities — where people can inject drugs without fear of arrest — re-

gardless of what Ottawa says about it.

Coderre said the project has been approved by Montreal city council and the provincial government, and Montreal police have been consulted.

The federal government must grant an exemption under the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act in order for a safe injection site to operate.

Quebec officially asked for the exemption at the beginning of May, but Ottawa has been publicly and strongly opposed to granting licences for facilities where people can inject drugs legally.

The only supervised injection facility in Canada is in Vancouver.

In 2011, the Supreme Court of Canada ruled that denying citizens access to safe injection sites was unconstitutional because it deprives people of potentially life-saving med-

ical care.

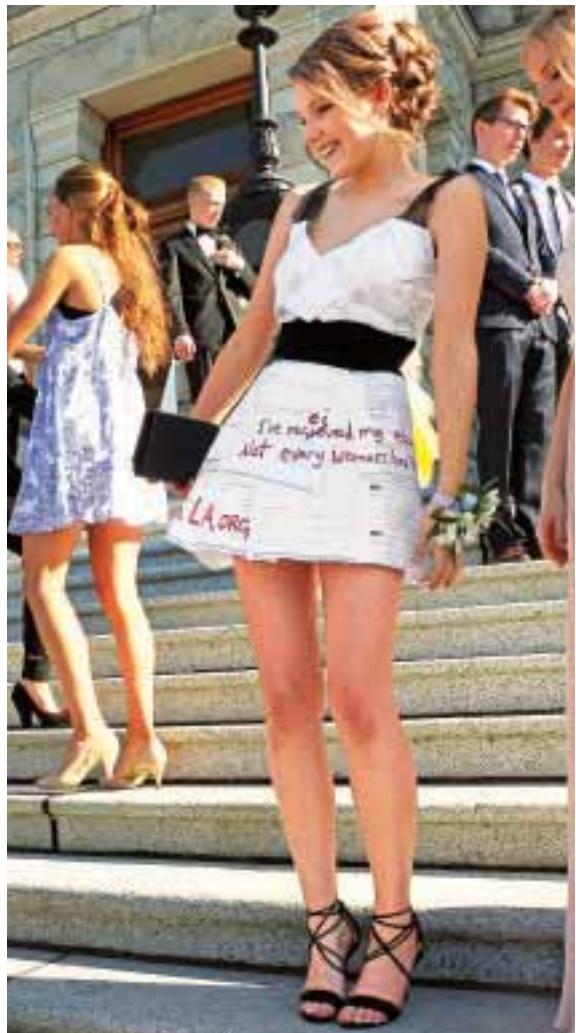
MacKay said his government wants to ensure the communities located around proposed injection sites are consulted and "it's clear our intent is to uphold the law."

"I understand very well the law of the land," MacKay said.

Coderre said Montreal will respect the Supreme Court decision and all other legal requirements for the facilities.

He said he wants to open a site within months and suggested the federal government might stymie his efforts by delaying its decision until after the scheduled October election. "This is not about politics," he said. "This is about health care."

"There is no time to play games," Coderre said. "It's not a matter to buy time; I'm not going to fall for that. We are solid and we are going to do it anyway." THE CANADIAN PRESS



NOTABLE A LESSON IN GOODWILL Erinne Paisley, in Victoria, turned math notes into a grad dress. She's auctioning it online to raise money for the Malala Fund. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WOMEN IN CRISIS

Shelter a click away

A new website aims to give Canadian women and children seeking shelter from domestic abuse a one-stop connection to help.

The Shelter Safe website, sheltersafe.ca, provides a clickable map of roughly 400 shelters across Canada, as well as 24-hour contact information and links to the shelters' websites.

The group behind the site said the map doesn't reveal the exact location of shelters in order to protect women's safety but allows those seeking help to get in touch with facilities quickly and easily.

The Canadian Network of Women's Shelters and Transition Houses said women don't have to stay in the shelters to make use of the services they can offer, such as counselling, safety planning and advice on navigating the legal system.

The organization's executive director, Lise Martin, said the site will show women in crisis that there is a network of support they can rely on.

"When you're in a time of crisis ... there's so much information and it's so easy to get lost," Martin said. "That's why we felt it was really important to have that single point."

"In a time of crisis, you really can't afford to be scrambling around."

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EXPENSE SCANDAL

Auditor general nitpicking: Senator

Three of the Senate's most influential members have been found by the auditor general to have made ineligible expense claims, but one of the trio, Speaker Leo Housakos, says Michael Ferguson is being "nit-picky."

Housakos and James Cowan, the Liberal leader in the Senate, confirmed Thursday that they're among the 21 senators deemed by Ferguson to have made questionable claims.

Claude Carignan, government leader in the Senate, also made the list, sources familiar with the contents of the audit said.

Cowan said his case involves just over \$10,000 worth of travel claims, over which he said he's having a "respectful disagreement" with Ferguson. Housakos said he also disagrees with some of Ferguson's findings.

Housakos said the auditor general is also challenging him on about \$6,000 worth of contracts

PROBE

In addition to the 21 senators, Ferguson has deemed spending by another nine — two current and seven former — to have been egregious enough to warrant RCMP investigation.

he issued rather than hire a full-time policy adviser. Ferguson had taken exception to the wording of the contracts, but Housakos said he plans to appeal the decision.

"I think the auditor is being, in my particular case, nit-picky," Housakos said, arguing that his contracting arrangements actually saved the Senate money.

The Senate received Ferguson's report, which is about 120 pages, Thursday afternoon.

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Senator aims to get ad costs disclosed



If you're going to be buying them, at least tell them how much you paid for them.

Sen. Dennis Dawson

Federal political parties are being challenged to publicly disclose how much taxpayer-subsidized money they're spending on advertising during the unregulated pre-election season.

The advent of fixed dates for federal elections has turned the months leading up to the Oct. 19 national vote into a spending free-for-all.

Sen. Dennis Dawson says that makes a mockery of the strict spending limits imposed during election campaigns, which are meant to reduce the influence of money and level the playing field for all parties.

Dawson, who sits as a Liberal senator, had hoped to compel parties to disclose how much they spend on advertising in the three months before the writ is dropped for the October vote. THE CANADIAN PRESS

is formally called, and to have that count against their campaign spending limit.

But two attempts to pass a private member's bill to that effect have gone nowhere.

So Dawson is now calling on the parties to voluntarily disclose how much they spend on advertising in the three months before the writ is dropped for the October vote. THE CANADIAN PRESS

CSIS

Canada's spy agency among beneficiaries

Prime Minister Stephen Harper played up his tough-on-terrorism credentials Thursday, announcing a trifecta of measures aimed at beefing up the country's ability to thwart violent jihad.

The measures, some previously announced in the budget, include more money for Canada's spy agency and more scrutiny of foreign visitors.

Jihadi terrorists have threatened Canada and Canadians by name and with a clarity that

leaves no room for doubt," Harper told a room filled with hand-picked observers.

"We are increasing our capacity to detect terrorists and terrorist plots, to choke off the financing that supports them, and to secure our borders against known and suspected terrorists who wish to enter."

Among those on hand for the pre-election announcement at a Toronto north-end hotel were victims of terrorism, including Cindy Barkway, whose husband Dave died in the 9/11 attack on the World Trade Centre in New York.

During his speech, Harper repeated a familiar refrain: that his Conservatives are the only

party that can be counted on to protect the security interests of Canadians.

Under the new measures, the federal government will commit \$137 million more over five years to Canada's Security and Intelligence Service (CSIS), along with \$41 million more a year afterward. The additional funding, Harper said, would allow CSIS to beef up its frontline capacity to counter terrorist threats and activities.

Some experts, however, have argued the earmarked money simply isn't much given the current threat environment, especially with legislation giving the agency more power to stop Canadians from joining

ANNIVERSARY FALLEN MONCTON SOLDIERS REMEMBERED

A concept for a memorial is seen at a ceremony marking the one-year anniversary of the shooting deaths of Constables David Ross, Fabrice Gevaudan and Doug Larche, on Thursday in Moncton, N.B.

The federal budget tabled in April allocated up to \$1 million for the memorial, which will be placed in a waterfront park. The force has been criticized for not properly equipping its officers with adequate training and resources, such as patrol carbines. Still, RCMP Assistant Commissioner Roger Brown says the force in Moncton has better equipment than it had a year ago.

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Anti-terror efforts get funding boost

DETAILS

Recognizing that terrorists "need cash," Harper also announced that Canada's tax authorities will put more emphasis on uncovering terror-related financing and the charities and organizations behind the money flow. The government also plans to expand biometric screening of foreign citizens coming to Canada.

terror groups abroad, disrupt bank transactions, and secretly interfere with radical websites. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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A sign warns pedestrians about crow attacks in the 800-block of Richards Street in downtown Vancouver. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

Attacking crows leave her cawed

NESTING SEASON

Dive-bombing birds have drawn blood



Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

A Vancouver woman can't keep count of the crows that have dive-bombed her in the past two years.

Sophia Lindgren says she is almost frightened to walk outside after the black birds have aggressively attacked her at least eight times in different parts of the city.

"They dive bomb at me," she told Metro. "It goes back and forth and goes 'Caw! Caw!' and it kind of swoops right over my head, and sometimes it scratches me."

The first attack happened in May last year when Lindgren was walking out of her home in Mount Pleasant. Then

it happened again in Kitsilano, Strathcona and Richmond. After nesting season ended, Lindgren forgot about the attacks. But last week, she said it started again.

In one attack, she said a crow scratch left her bleeding. Although she wasn't seriously injured, the repeated incidents are becoming "freaky," she said.

"I don't think it's a personal vendetta," she said. "I don't think I've done anything to piss off a crow, but I don't know."

Derek Matthews, chairman of the Vancouver Avian Research Centre, said it's possible that at some point Lindgren did do something that has crows holding a grudge against her.

"If she flapped at them or shooed them away, it's possible she's been marked," he said.

Matthews pointed to several studies by University of Washington biologist John Marzluff who found crows remember individual human faces.

George Clulow, president of B.C. Field Ornithologists, said crows also mark someone as a threat if they observe another

If she flapped at them it's possible she's been marked.

Derek Matthews

crow attacking someone who gets too close to a nest.

"It's their form of communicating concerns with an individual through their behaviour," he said. "They retain that memory for a while."

During nesting season, Matthews said crows go to great lengths to protect their nest because the birds have invested a lot of time into their young. When a human or animal gets too close to the nest, Matthews said crows will do everything they can to protect their young. "The best thing that (Lindgren) can do if she doesn't want to move out of the city is to have a few unsalted peanuts in a shell and toss it to them."

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Manitoba

U.S. deliberates after Russia's alleged nuclear treaty breach

OBAMA ADMINISTRATION

Option to deploy missiles in Europe on the table

The Obama administration is weighing a range of aggressive responses to Russia's alleged violation of a Cold War-era nuclear treaty, including deploying land-based missiles in Europe that could pre-emptively destroy the Russian weapons.

This "counterforce" option is among possibilities the administration is considering as it reviews its entire policy toward Russia in light of Moscow's military intervention in Ukraine, its annexation of Crimea and other actions the U.S. deems confrontational in Europe and beyond.

MOSCOW

The U.S. and its Western partners have tried to use economic and diplomatic leverage against Putin on a range of conflicts, including Ukraine. But they also recognize that Moscow still plays an important role in international affairs, including the nuclear talks with Iran that are among President Barack Obama's highest foreign policy priorities.



In this Dec. 24, 1997, file photo, soldiers prepare to destroy a ballistic SS-19 missile in the yard of the largest former Soviet military rocket base in Vakulenchuk, Ukraine. The Obama administration is weighing a range of aggressive responses to Russia's alleged violation of a Cold War-era nuclear missile treaty. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE



All the options under consideration are designed to ensure that Russia gains no significant military advantage from their violation.

Pentagon spokesman Lt. Col. Joe Sowers

cruise missile with a range prohibited by the treaty.

Russia denies violating the treaty and has, in turn, claimed

violations by the United States in erecting missile defences.

It is unclear whether Russia has actually deployed the suspect missile or whether Washington would make any military move if the Russians stopped short of deployment. For now, administration officials say they prefer to continue trying to talk Moscow into treaty compliance.

In public, administration officials have used obscure terms like "counterforce" and "countervailing strike capabilities" to describe two of its military response options, apparently hoping to buy time for diplomacy.

At his Senate confirmation hearing in February, Defence Secretary Ash Carter noted his concern about Russia's alleged violation of the 1987 Intermediate-range Nuclear Forces, or INF, treaty. He said disregard for treaty limitations was a "two-way street" opening the way for the U.S. to respond in kind.

The standoff speaks volumes about the depths to which U.S.-Russia relations have fallen. And that poses problems not only for the Obama administration but also for the NATO alliance, whose members in eastern Europe are especially leery of allowing Russian provocations to go unanswered.

Western leaders are meeting Sunday and Monday for a G-7 summit — from which Russian President Vladimir Putin has been excluded — where Russian aggression will be a key topic. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GHANA

Death toll climbs in gas station explosion

The death toll from a huge gas station explosion and flooding in Ghana's capital has more than doubled to 150 people, the president said Thursday night.

Dozens of people had sought shelter at the gas station and in nearby shops in central Accra to escape the torrential rains at the time of Wednesday night's blast. Flooding swept fuel being stored at the station into a nearby fire, triggering the explosion that also set ablaze neighbouring buildings, officials said.

The West African nation will observe three days of mourning with flags flying at half-staff, and the government will allocate about \$12 million for relief operations and to repair damaged infrastructure, President John Dramani Mahama told journalists before heading into an emergency meeting.

Before Mahama's announcement, the death toll stood at 73.

TV footage earlier Thursday showed corpses being piled into the back of a pickup truck and other charred bodies trapped amid the debris. Floodwaters around the site hampered rescue and recovery efforts.

Officials at the nearby 37 Military Hospital said its morgue had reached capacity.

Mahama visited the blast site during the day, calling the death toll "catastrophic" and offering condolences to families of the victims. "Steps will be taken to ensure that disastrous floods and their attendant deaths do not occur again," he said.

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CYBER ATTACKS

Snowden documents show NSA has expanded U.S. web spying

The Obama administration has expanded the National Security Agency's authority to hunt for foreign threats coursing through American Internet pipes by allowing the agency to collect intelligence on cyber attacks, the New York Times and ProPublica reported Thursday, citing documents provided by Edward Snowden.

The reports noted that the surveillance of U.S. internet traffic, which began in 2012, has been occurring without individual warrants envisioned under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, a 1978 law that predicated the modern Internet. The warrantless surveillance was legalized in 2008.

Brian Hale, the spokesman for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, said it was

"not surprising that the U.S. government gathers intelligence on foreign powers that attempt to penetrate U.S. networks and steal the private information of U.S. citizens and companies."

Under the PRISM program, the NSA, pursuant to secret court orders, collects intelligence about foreign threats through U.S. Internet companies. The agency also collects information by tapping Internet traffic at home and abroad. Snowden, a former agency contractor now living in Russia to avoid criminal charges, revealed PRISM in 2013.

In mid-2012, Justice Department lawyers wrote two secret memos authorizing the NSA to begin collecting intelligence on U.S. Internet cables for data linked to cyber attacks and hack-

ing originating abroad — including traffic that flows to suspicious Internet addresses or contains malware, the news reports said.

At least one NSA lawyer was worried that a lot of information about innocent Americans would be incidentally collected, the reports said. He proposed storing the cyber data in a way that analysts working on unrelated issues could not query it, a 2010 training document showed.

But it's not clear whether that ever happened.

The NSA's collection of foreign intelligence on American Internet infrastructure was not addressed in the USA Freedom Act, the law enacted this week that will end the agency's collection of American calling records. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MIDEAST CONFLICT

ISIL reduces water supply to Iraq's government-held areas

ISIL militants have reduced the amount of water flowing to government-held areas in Iraq's western Anbar province, an official said Thursday, the latest in the vicious war as Iraqi forces struggle to claw back ground held by the extremists in the Sunni heartland.

It's not the first time that water has been used as a weapon of war in Mideast conflicts and in Iraq in particular. Earlier this year, ISIL reduced the flow through another lock outside the militant-held town of Fallujah, also in Anbar province. But the extremists soon reopened it after criticism from residents.

ISIL captured Ramadi, the provincial capital of Anbar, last month, marking its most sig-

nificant victory since a U.S.-led coalition began an air campaign against the extremists last August. Earlier last year, ISIL had blitzed across much of western and northern Iraq, capturing key Anbar cities and also Mosul, Iraq's second-largest city that lies to the north of Baghdad.

Also Thursday, UN officials urgently called for almost \$498 million in donations to provide shelter, food, water and other life-saving services for the next six months to Iraqis displaced or affected by the fighting between government forces and ISIL.

The reduced flow of water through the militant-held dam on the Euphrates River will threaten irrigation systems and water treatment plants in nearby areas controlled by troops. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

and tribes opposed to the extremist group, provincial council member Taha Abdul-Ghani told The Associated Press.

Abdul-Ghani said there would be no immediate effect on Shi'ite areas in central and southern Iraq, saying water is being diverted to those areas from the Tigris River.

The United Nations had said on Wednesday that it was looking into reports that ISIL had reduced the flow of water through the al-Warar dam.

"The use of water as a tool of war is to be condemned in no uncertain terms," the spokesman for the UN secretary-general, Stéphane Dujarric, told reporters. "These kinds of reports are disturbing, to say the least."



Last year, U.S. President Barack Obama announced plans to expand a program that shields certain immigrants from deportation and allows them to work legally in the U.S.

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Amnesty support high: Poll

ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

Survey finds 72 per cent accept undocumented Americans

A majority of Americans support allowing immigrants living in the country illegally to stay and be granted legal status, according to a new poll released Thursday.

The survey conducted by the Pew Research Center found that 72 per cent of Americans support legal status for such immigrants.

The survey results come at the beginning of the 2016 presidential campaign, in which immigration is expected to be a key point of debate.

The poll found that 56 per cent of Republicans agree that illegal immigrants should be allowed to stay, within certain unspecified criteria.

56%

The percentage of polled Republicans who agree that illegal immigrants should be allowed to stay, within certain unspecified criteria.
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Support for allowing immigrants in the country illegally to stay can vary depending on how survey questions are worded. A recent Associated Press-GfK poll found that about half of Americans and a third of Republicans support either a path to citizenship or legal status, but that survey did not specify that immigrants must "meet certain requirements" to qualify, as the Pew survey did.

The Pew survey also found that about half of Americans think a lot more can be done to secure the nation's border. Bor-

UNITED STATES

Family ignorant of late son's radicalism

The family of a Boston man shot to death by terrorism investigators was shocked by allegations that he planned to kill police officers, and saw no signs that he had become radicalized, their attorney said Thursday.

Ronald Sullivan, a Harvard Law professor, said Usaama Rahim's family considered him "an energetic young man trying to make his way in this world" and saw no behaviour

or changes in demeanour that would lead them to suspect he would espouse violence.

Surrounded by Rahim's brothers, mother and wife on the sidewalk where Rahim was shot, Sullivan said they hope to work "productively and cooperatively" with investigators in a joint effort to search for the truth.

"Let me be clear: The family is not making any substantive claims at this time about what

happened in this case," Sullivan said. He said the family planned to view a video of the shooting later Thursday, but said that may not tell the whole story.

Rahim, 26, was fatally shot Tuesday after investigators said he refused to drop a military-style knife as they sought to question him about "terrorist-related information." Police have said the video shows officers backing up and Rahim

moving toward them before they fired.

Sullivan said Rahim's brother Ibrahim Rahim, a well-known imam in Boston, regrets posting a Facebook message based on incorrect, third-hand information claiming that his brother had been shot three times in the back.

"We now know we simply did not have all the facts at that time," Sullivan said.

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Rohingya migrant women from Myanmar stand at a confinement camp in Indonesia's Aceh province in late May, shortly after Indonesian fishermen rescued about 400 Rohingya migrants from Myanmar and Bangladesh from a boat off the eastern coast of Aceh. CHAIDEER MAHYUDDIN/AFP/GTET IMAGES

Myanmar denies it's oppressing Muslims

HUMANITARIAN CRISIS

Minister insists refugees seek jobs, not political safety

Myanmar said Thursday that thousands of migrants left the country to seek better jobs elsewhere, and were not fleeing persecution, a day after bringing to shore about 730 migrants, the latest arrivals in Southeast Asia's ongoing crisis.

Foreign Affairs Minister Wunna Maung Lwin's remarks were

Myanmar's latest denial of any blame for the humanitarian crisis. More than 4,600 desperate and hungry boat people have been rescued in five countries since early May after a regional crackdown on smugglers prompted some captains to abandon their human cargo at sea.

The United Nations has said about half of those who have come ashore were Rohingya Muslims fleeing persecution in Myanmar, and the rest were Bangladeshis escaping poverty.

"It is not true that the migrants from Myanmar fled because of discrimination or

persecution in Myanmar," the foreign minister said during a briefing to foreign diplomats about the crisis. "They are just the victims of human smugglers."

"These are migrants who are seeking better jobs in other countries," he added.

Myanmar authorities intercepted boats packed with more than 730 people and brought the group ashore Wednesday in western Rakhine state, said Wunna Maung Lwin. Those on board included 611 men, 72 women and 51 children whose nationalities the government was still verifying, he said.

"Those who are verified as citizens of Bangladesh will be sent back to their country starting Sunday," he said. "Myanmar is not in a position to give assistance to the migrants long-term, as it is a developing country."

UN agencies and other groups said they were not getting full access to the verification process, which is seen as crucial to ensure that Myanmar is not falsely labelling Rohingya on the boat as citizens of Bangladesh.

The UN has called the Rohingya one of the world's most persecuted minorities.

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THE NETHERLANDS

Muslims 'no longer easy to offend'

Moderate Dutch Muslims on Thursday called anti-Islam lawmaker Geert Wilders's plan to broadcast cartoons of the Prophet Muhammad on national television a provocation.

Islamic tradition holds that any physical depiction of the Prophet Muhammad is blasphemous. It appears, however, that Muslims in the Netherlands may be growing accustomed to Wilders' fierce criticism of their faith.

Muslims in the Netherlands "are no longer easy to offend," said lawyer Ejder Kose, who once represented a Muslim organiza-

tion that tried unsuccessfully to ban a short film made by Wilders.

Wilders' anti-Islam rhetoric has in the past sparked outrage around the Muslim world and prompted death threats that have led to him living under round-the-clock protection.

Yassin Elforkani, spokesman of the Contact Group for Muslims and Government, agreed that people are growing accustomed to Wilders.

"It is provocation from Mr. Wilders that we have been used to for years," Elforkani said in a telephone interview.

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VENEZUELA

Hunger strikers gain sympathizers

A hunger strike by two high-profile imprisoned politicians is generating excitement among members of a Venezuelan opposition that has seemed mostly disengaged since 2014's fiery protests.

Seven students have even spent the past week camped out in the dusty front yard of a Caracas church drinking nothing but water and Pedialyte in sympathy with jailed former mayors Leopoldo Lopez and Daniel Ceballos, who announced their hunger strike on May 23.

Lopez, 44, announced the hunger strike via a video leaked

from a military prison. He has been jailed for 15 months on charges related to his role in leading sometimes bloody protests against Venezuela's socialist administration in the spring of 2014.

He and Ceballos, 31, are demanding the release of jailed opposition leaders like themselves whom human rights groups consider political prisoners. They also are calling on officials to set a date for legislative elections that the law dictates must be held before the end of the year.

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A couple wears masks as a precaution against the MERS (Middle East Respiratory Syndrome) virus as they walk on the Myeongdong, one of the main shopping districts, in Seoul, South Korea, Thursday. AHN YOUNG-JOON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Fatal virus outbreak in Asia spurs fears

SOUTH KOREA

Two dead in largest case of MERS outside Saudi Arabia

Sales of surgical masks surge amid fears of a deadly, poorly understood virus. Airlines announce "intensified sanitizing operations." More than 900 schools close and 1,600 people — and 17 camels in zoos — are quarantined.

The current frenzy in South Korea over MERS, which stands for Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, brings to mind the other menacing diseases to hit Asia over the last decade — SARS, which killed hundreds, and bird flu.

Then, as now, confusion ruled as the media harped on the growing public panic, and health care workers and government officials struggled to understand and contain the dis-

eases, sometimes downplaying the danger, sometimes inadvertently hyping it.

While it's still early and MERS is a scary disease with no vaccine and a high death rate, there are so far more reasons for calm caution than for panic.

South Korea has seen 35 cases and two deaths, the largest outbreak in the world outside of Saudi Arabia, where most of the more than 1,100 cases have been and where the disease was first seen in 2012.

The cases are linked to a 68-year-old man who travelled to the Middle East, the World Health Organization said this week. When he returned and became sick last month, he visited two hospitals and two outpatient facilities, "creating multiple opportunities for exposure among health care workers and other patients," WHO said. The man wasn't isolated because it wasn't thought at first that he had been exposed to MERS, which is from the same virus family as the common cold and SARS.

"Further cases can be expected," the UN health agency said.

MERS' mortality rate is an estimated 30 to 40 per cent, according to Nicolas Locker, a virology expert at the University of Surrey.

The symptoms are fever, cough and shortness of breath, with an average incubation period of five to six days. Transmission comes through close contact with people — from living

with or caring for someone, for instance — but camels are also thought to spread the virus.

Viruses like MERS "remind us all that the globe is indeed a small place when it comes to the rapidity with which infected people can move over large geographic distances, bringing viruses they may be incubating with them," Christopher Olsen, a virus expert at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, said in an email. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BACKGROUND

Don't panic

Despite media warnings about the virus "spreading" in South Korea, 29 of the 35 people who've gotten MERS stayed at a single hospital, and one flew to China and was quarantined there. There's no evidence yet in South Korea "of sustained transmission in the community,"

the WHO reports.

Because it isn't airborne and only transmitted through close contact, it's highly unlikely anyone will get the disease in crowded areas, like parks or schools, said Kang Cheol-In, an infectious diseases expert at the Seoul-based Samsung Medical Center. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Young Iranians touch the sky

EXTREME SPORTS

Slacklining catching on in mountainous, arid nation

Kiavash Sharifi can hardly describe the feeling of tip-toeing across an abyss on a thin ribbon that bends ever so slightly downward.

The 22-year-old is one of a growing number of Iranians embracing the extreme sport of slacklining — a high-wire walk on a flat line of webbing strung between rocks or trees up to 60 metres above the ground. The webbing provides slightly more stability than a round cord but is also bouncier.

"It is very exciting. I'm short on words when I want to describe how it feels when you are on the webbing, and how it feels when you manage to walk the whole line and reach the other end," Sharifi said. "When you are on the webbing you don't notice anything else."



In this picture taken on May 28, Iranian slackliners Kiavash Sharifi, left, and Mohammad Reza Abaee walk on a line anchored between two rocks for a practice near the city of Arak, 330 kilometres southwest of Tehran. VAHID SALEM/The Associated Press

On a recent day, Sharifi and his friends gathered in the mountains outside Tehran, with the capital skyline serving as a backdrop. They strung a 10-metre strip of webbing between two rocks 30 metres

above ground.

At this point they are largely unfazed by the danger and laughed and joked as they took turns inching across. One of them placed his hands on the line and lifted himself up with

just his arms. Then he leaned back on the line as if using it as a hammock.

"When I'm walking on the highline I have a very good feeling. I feel free. I'm free from all preoccupations, and

it is very enjoyable," said Mohammad Reza Abaee, at 23 the most experienced of the group. High-altitude slacklining is known as highlining.

"My biggest dream is to do a BASE jump from the highline,"

BACKGROUND

Making do

Iran Slackline is a group of friends who have had to find their own footing in a country with no formal institutions for the sport. They must make much of their equipment by hand or acquire it abroad — including safety devices.

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he said, referring to another extreme sport in which one jumps from a high-altitude stationary object and glides to the ground with a parachute or wingsuit.

Samaneh Hassanzadeh has only been slacklining for a few weeks, learning on a line that is just a foot above the ground. Her twin sister Samira is also exploring the sport.

"It helps one achieve great concentration," Samaneh said. "It is both exciting and helps you concentrate. It's perfect, when you are on the line you don't want to step down."

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TECHNOLOGY INFLUENTIAL VIDEO GAMES ENTER HALL OF FAME Video games that were inducted into the World Video Game Hall of Fame on Thursday are shown in this photo from The Strong Museum in Rochester, N.Y. The new inductees included Pong, Doom, NES classic Super Mario Bros., Pac-Man, Tetris and World of Warcraft. Nominations for the Hall of Fame's next class are open from now until the end of March 2016. BETHANY MOSHER, THE STRONG MUSEUM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Bell boss upsets Netflix users with comments

STREAMING SERVICES

President faces social media backlash over VPN remarks

The new head of Bell Media is facing a negative reaction across social media after saying it should be socially unacceptable for Canadians to use technological tricks to access U.S. Netflix.

Mary Ann Turcke told a Toronto telecom conference on Wednesday that using virtual private networks (VPNs) to view content not available in Canada should become taboo.

"It has to become socially unacceptable to admit to another human being that you

are VPNing into U.S. Netflix, like throwing garbage out your car window — you just don't do it," she said.

"We have to get engaged and tell people they are stealing. When we were young and made the error of swiping candy bars at the checkout of the grocery store, what did our parents do? They marched us back in, humiliated us, told us to apologize to the nice lady and likely scolded us on the way home."

Turcke, who recently replaced Kevin Crull as the company's president, recalled reprimanding her 15-year-old daughter over the teen's use of a VPN to watch the American version of Netflix.

Turcke criticized newspapers for publishing how-to articles she said were "educat-

ing the masses on how to get around copyright law."

Many scoffed at her comments on social media, calling them out of touch and unrealistic.

"What is this, opposite day? The only people not using a VPN to use Netflix are those who don't know how," one tweeted.

"I gladly do it, and lots of us did it when working for Bell. Offer choice or I'll choose for myself," wrote another.

A few sided with Turcke, accusing those who defended

the practice of making excuses for their bad behaviour.

"You can rationalize accessing foreign versions of Netflix all you want. The law is on Bell's side and your skirt ing these restrictions isn't the equivalent of Rosa Parks," one online commentator wrote.

VPNs allow users to mask the location of their IP address, circumventing geographic restrictions on online content.

A spokesman for Bell Media said Turcke would not be available for comment on Thursday.

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Bell Media President Mary Ann Turcke

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Tim Hortons has brewed up controversy for its decision to yank ads by pipeline giant Enbridge Inc. from its in-store screens.

On Thursday morning, the coffee-and-doughnut purveyor responded to complaints about the ads on Twitter, telling individual users: "We value your feedback and the Enbridge advertisements are no longer airing on Tim's TV."

But the tempest in a Timbit only grew as oil industry supporters lashed out against the move.

The top-trending Twitter hashtag on Thursday afternoon in Canada was #BoycottTims.

Calgary Conservative MPs

like Jason Kenney, Michelle Rempel and Joan Crockett took the chain to task on Twitter.

"I'm proud to represent thousands of constituents who work for Enbridge & other CDN energy companies," Kenney, the defence minister, tweeted.

Tim Hortons declined to comment.

Enbridge is the dominant shipper of oilsands crude and plans to build the contentious Northern Gateway pipeline to the West Coast.

"We have enjoyed working with them and respect their decision," said Enbridge spokesman Graham White in an email.

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IN BRIEF

Canada files tariff request against U.S. with WTO

Canada has filed a request to impose more than \$3 billion a year in tariffs on the U.S. in the latest move in an ongoing trade dispute. The Canadian government has asked the World Trade Organization to authorize punitive measures on a range of American goods. Canada and Mexico are fighting U.S. meat-labelling rules that require a sticker identifying where livestock was born, raised and slaughtered.

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From chimp chefs to zigzagging Zambonis,

Metro weighs in on the news making headlines this week



Man learns not to drink at the rink

A North Dakota man who admitted he drove a Zamboni drunk was sentenced to nine days and fined \$1,500 US this week. Steven Anderson, 27, had a blood alcohol level four times the legal limit when arrested in January at a girls' hockey game in Fargo. Witnesses said he was driving erratically and crashing into the boards. The judge didn't buy the argument that a Zamboni isn't a vehicle.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Nutrition app could give foodies #TMI

A new technology could give social media mavens who like to share #brunch and #foodporn pictures a rude awakening. Google's artificial intelligence prototype Im2Calories can teach you a lot about your food — if you want to know. It analyzes food photos and estimates how many calories are on your plate. The program measures the depth of each pixel, picks up on patterns and calculates your meal's size relative to objects like condiments and cutlery. CBC.CA



If you give a chimp an oven...

A new study has shed light on how our hominid ancestors first learned to cook. Harvard psychologists gave chimpanzees an oven-like device but didn't show them how to use it. The animals learned to place raw potato in the "chimp microwave," shake it, wait, and get a tasty, cooked treat—showing off skills like planning and delayed gratification. Real fire wasn't used because chimps still don't understand "Careful: Hot." NPR



Reading, writing and revitalizing

A project at two Ontario First Nations schools is drawing praise for converting reluctant readers. When it began in 2010, 13 per cent of Grade 3 kids were reading at grade level. By 2014, 67 per cent were. The number of special needs students fell from 45 per cent to 19 — raising questions about whether learning problems or inadequate teaching were really to blame. The secret formula? 100 minutes reading and writing per day, every day. MACLEAN'S

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metroview

The new definition of masculinity won't be womansplained

My little brother came for a visit last week.

These days, though, he's more of a strapping young guy in his mid-20s.

Watching his evolution — from the boy who ran with windmill legs to a truck-driving carpenter — has been fascinating and, sometimes, worrying.

I've long felt deeply uneasy about the modern ideal of masculinity and its effect on him. Our culture glorifies the stoic man: in control, never vulnerable physically or emotionally. The consummate provider and leader.

But why hear that from me, when you can hear it from Donovan McKenzie, founder of In the Heart of a Man, a new Toronto-based organization that is fighting to redefine masculinity.

Tall, muscled and deep-voiced, McKenzie looks like a tough guy. And for years, that's what he tried to be, until he realized that striving to constantly "be a man" left him depressed, even suicidal.

"I grew up as this big black guy that was supposed to be strong. I grew up in a neighbourhood where it was really taboo to say you're sad," he told me. "I always heard in my head, 'Man up.' Men aren't supposed to feel this way."

"Imagine if there's something I could turn to, so I didn't have to hold this all in my heart?" he added.

He's spoken to young men in schools and prisons about embracing their feelings and accepting themselves. He runs a Humans of New York-style photo blog about men and an online community.

"Because of my story, I think it's time to have that outlet," he said.

UBC's dean of education, Dr. Blye Frank, would likely agree. Frank, who studies the links between masculinity and men's education and health, argues that men engage in risky behaviours to show their manliness. That can lead to higher rates of accidental death and suicide, even cancer, than women.

The new definition of masculinity remains up for grabs.

It might mean, as it did for writer Navneet Alang, unlearning the sexism he grew up with.

Even so, "I'm not sure I've gotten to the point of what an idealized form of masculinity might be," Alang told me.

As for my brother, he says masculinity means courage, restraint, and sacrifices "for yourself and your family."

Whatever the definition, though, it won't be figured out by women like me. We need womansplaining as much as mansplaining these days.

It will come from Frank, Alang, McKenzie, and my little/big brother.

And, I hope, soon.

Finally, technology has found a cure for thirst

THE KOHLER REPORT

Rebecca Kohler



I've been parched for years, and I've never been sure what to do about it. But now a crowdfunding venture has raised more than \$110,000 to help develop a new product called HidrateMe — a smart water bottle that tells you when to drink water. Thank God!

To let you know it's time to drink, the 24-ounce HidrateMe bottle glows — kind of like a wet lantern — until you take a sip. The container connects to your smartphone via Bluetooth (unfortunately there is no Ethernet option). After installing the HidrateMe app, it will ask you for personal information like your

height and weight (it already knows your IQ is low: you purchased the product). Based on these details and factoring in your environment — temperature, elevation and humidity — HidrateMe calculates your "water goals," for how much water you should be drinking and when.

"Water goals"! What a fun term. At first it made me think about people in poor countries and their water goals. Goals like "finding water" and "drinking water" that doesn't cause me to poo my pants." Then I realized, "Wait! This is about my water goals! Personal water goals."

After some soul searching, I came to the conclusion that while my water goals seem far away during a hangover, I feel like I achieve them on a day-to-

day basis, based on the fact that I'm currently alive.

So do I need this bossy gadget? Sure, it's flashy and all — my body's "drink-water-now" mechanism (thirst) is kind of boring and passé and so 1999 (BC). And I can think of some fun, alternate uses for the HidrateMe bottle: filling your boss's with vodka, or, instead of using it as a glowing water bottle, using it as a flashlight for thirsty people ...

I'm being hard on HidrateMe, because I think it's gimmicky. Sure, it'll tell me when to drink, but I'm still in charge. I constantly have a glass of water on my desk and I constantly don't drink from it. Human nature trumps "smart" gadgets.

A glowing bottle might help me for a few days, but

My body's 'drink-water-now' mechanism (thirst) is kind of boring and passé and so 1999 (BC).

like with all the self-help apps I've downloaded (quit smoking, run faster, Tinder), I'll just start ignoring it.

I won't be surprised if, within a few months of launching, HidrateMe apps all over the world will be under the impression that their users have succumbed to the effects of dehydration and died.

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I Spy a McCarthy blockbuster

REVIEW

Director Feig reunites with Bridesmaids actress in new comedy

IN FOCUS

Richard Crouse



I used to find Melissa McCarthy frustrating.

Director Paul Feig called her "one of the funniest people in the world." Her husband, actor Ben Falcone, said she "will do anything to get a laugh," but her tendency to go for the easy gag often put me in the mind of Will Ferrell in his *Blades of Glory* nadir.

Thanks to a string of hits like *Bridesmaids*, *Identity Thief*, *The Heat* and *Tammy* — and an \$809 million box office total — McCarthy is a rarity in Hollywood: a female comedy superstar.

Everyone agrees she is a skilled comic actor who amplifies the funny in good movies and elevates the jokes in lesser scripts but the latter is why I used to find her exasperating. Much of her recent work — this weekend's very funny *Spy* notwithstanding — has relied on her major personality to magnify minor material.

There's no arguing with the kind of financial success

she has enjoyed but critical accolades have been elusive. The Wall Street Journal, for instance, said of *Tammy*, "The movie's principal intention is to make you laugh at a loser, and revel in scenes from which polite people would instinctively turn away."

Bridesmaids was her flash-point, the film that broke her out of the TV sidekick treadmill. As Megan — imagine a feral, female Guy Fieri — she stole the show out from under other, better-known stars like Kristen Wiig and earned an Oscar nomination. It's a wonderful, weird performance that hinted at great things to come.

But aside from a few inspired moments she has not made good on the promise of *Bridesmaids*. Her work has come to rely too heavily on a stock character, the obnoxious loser with a heart of gold buried beneath a thick shell of one-liners and non sequiturs.

"I've played a lot of characters who are very vocal, very aggressive," she told me last year. "For the women I've played there is a reason why they are so ballsy and it is nice when you see the crack in the veneer and you realize, 'It's part of their insecurity. They stay loud so nobody yells at them.'"

It's an interesting character breakdown but one that played itself out by the end of 2013's *Identity Thief* when, I believe, she became infected with Will Ferrell disease.

There was a time when Ferrell could do no wrong. At



McCarthy kicks ass as a top CIA analyst turned spy in a new comedy by *Bridesmaids* director Feig. PHOTO COURTESY 20TH CENTURY FOX

least that's what the directors of *Blades of Glory*, *Land of the Lost* and *Semi-Pro* thought. Popular with audiences, he was allowed to run riot in a series of so-so films resulting in the bleak middle period of his career where manic energy replaced humour in his films.

McCarthy suffers from the same affliction. She is funny, she knows how to deliver a line, but in *Identity Thief*, *The Heat* and *Tammy* she's off

the chain, Ferrelling her way through underwritten scripts.

Ferrell turned things around and so has McCarthy. In *St. Vincent* she took a step away from her well-established comedic persona to deliver laughs and show her dramatic range.

Her latest film *Spy* is also a welcome return to form. Paired once again with director Feig, the movie offers up the best of both worlds — a funny, smart script and

MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

Spy ★★★★
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a director who knows how to maximize her talents. As Susan Cooper, a CIA computer-analyst-turned-international-field-agent-on-a-mission-of-revenge, she's likeable, funny and most importantly, reined in.

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Columnist Jessica Allen in her early undercover days.
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White meat, fries and lots of spies

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Swiss Chalet chicken dinner reminds Allen of childhood spy games

THE TV DINNER

Jessica Allen

Nearly every Saturday night during my youth, our family of four would eat at the Swiss Chalet on Dundas Street in London, Ont. Right before we'd see a movie and just after we ordered four quarter chicken dinners (fries, white meat), I'd ask to use the washroom.

While it was not out of the ordinary in the '80s to spot an eight-year-old visit the washroom unattended, slightly more curious was seeing that child form a gun with her hand while slinking down the stairs because she thought she was a spy.

And not just any spy on their way to gather intelligence from

theloo, but James Bond himself.

It was the fault of my folks for allowing me, from a very early age, to see Bond films — which occasionally led to awkward conversations: "Dad, what's an 'Octopussy'?"

Although it never occurred to me that on account of my gender I couldn't be James Bond, I'm happy to see a woman star in a spy film, albeit a spoof of the genre.

In Spy, which hits theatres on June 5, Melissa McCarthy plays a desk-bound CIA analyst thrown into the field as an undercover agent in order to prevent a global disaster. The film reunites her with Bridesmaids director Paul Feig.

My love of washrooms doesn't end with espionage: I vividly remember the post-food-poisoning epic washroom scene in Bridesmaids, which managed to surpass Dumb and Dumber's finely tuned aria of toilet noise.

However, I wasn't eating alone so neither film was an option. Take-out Swiss Cha-



let (white meat, fries), however, was uncontested.

"What about a Bourne movie?" I asked my partner Simon.

"The Bourne movies you've seen a hundred times? What about Barry Lyndon?"

"Not that Kubrick pic again."

Then I remembered the Swiss Chalet waitresses' uniforms back when they still wanted to emphasize the "Swiss" bits.

As my brother and I sipped Kitty Cocktails, we'd gaze up at ample bosoms. So Simon and I watched Martin Scorsese's 1993 adaptation of The Age of

Innocence, obviously.

White wine replaced the Kitty Cocktail but the quarter chicken dinner was just as I remembered. The corsage cleavage, however, was a little flat.

Edith Wharton's Gilded Age novel is about gender restriction, something critics think limit McCarthy.

By repeatedly playing the "hot mess," she's pigeonholing herself, they say.

It's a false assumption that if you conquer the gender divide on the screen, it will make the gender divide in the real world more palatable.

Besides, I don't want to watch McCarthy take a dump in a sink because she's a woman. I want to see her do it because she's one of the few genuinely hilarious people on screen, like Buster Keaton before her, who's mastered the art of physical comedy.

McCarthy's mission in Spy is to save the world. With all due respect to her bowels, I hope she never stops.

STREAMING

Working with Wachowskis Daryl Hannah's dream job



Ned Ehrbar
Metro | Life

When Daryl Hannah heard the team behind The Matrix and Cloud Atlas were doing a Netflix series, she was sold. The fact the Wachowskis' mind-bending Sense8, which launches Friday on Netflix, deals with how humans can be more connected and compassionate was icing on the cake.

How was this project first explained to you?

It wasn't. I heard from the casting director that Lana and Andy Wachowski were doing an original series and they were looking for a character called Mr. Whispers, and did I have any ideas about that character — and maybe I could even come in because they were thinking about casting that character in a more transgender or androgynous way.

So I went in to read for Mr. Whisper's role, and then they said, "We'd like you for another role, Angel" — which there wasn't even a description of at that point. I just



Daryl Hannah in Sense8.
MURRAY CLOSE/NETFLIX

I wouldn't really call it the science fiction realm. I mean, it's fantastical, for sure, but it's set in a very real world and present day, and there are no spaceships flying around or anything like that. But I do think incorporating a supernatural or fantastical element allows us to be taken places that we might not be as comfortable going in just a very real setting alone.

How many of the nine filming locations did you go to?

Nine cities in eight countries. I went to all of them. When I'm standing in Nairobi, I'm standing in Nairobi. And it feels that way when you see it. Even though it's physically hard to see CGI and green screen stuff, you can feel it.

It seems like a production Netflix is suited to support.

I think this only could happen on something like Netflix. It couldn't exist anywhere else. It couldn't exist with the advertisers, sponsors and the censorship of television. It couldn't happen in movies because they're too expensive these days. So it really is the only place that something like this could evolve.

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INTERVIEW

The Entourage star talks fame and his not-so-alter ego

 **Ned Ehrbar**
Metro | Life

You would think life in Hollywood could be a bit awkward when you're best known for playing one the biggest (fictional) movie stars in the world, but Adrian Grenier insists his *Entourage* character, Vincent Chase, hasn't cast a shadow over his own career.

"I mean, I think it's a failure of imagination if you start to let your successes bog you down," said Grenier. "If I have to work harder to convince people that I'm more than the character or I have other things up my sleeve, then so be it."

In fact, Grenier made peace with his fictional alter ego a long time ago — for self-preservation if for nothing else.

"We're sort of living vicariously through each other, comfortably sharing the same space," he said. "When people call me Vince, I answer. I don't try to correct people. Because I am Vince to many people. I mean,



Hot, successful actor Adrian Grenier plays Vincent Chase — a hot, successful actor — in the *Entourage* movie, out this week. CONTRIBUTED

even blurring the lines as much as the fact that Vince was Aquaman and in real life I do a lot of ocean work. I am Aquaman in real life, in a way."

Of course, there really is an Aquaman coming — to be directed by *Furious 7*'s James Wan, from the same studio that released *Entourage* — but that

one will star Jason Momoa, not Vincent Chase. Or Adrian Grenier. And just in case you were wondering, Grenier made no effort at all to get a shot at the superhero role that was such a success for Vinny Chase.

"I think that would've been too silly," he said. "I mean, if James Cameron was directing

it I might be into it."

The *Entourage* film finds Vince a few years removed from the series' triumphant finale, a hugely successful and newly divorced movie star who now wants to direct his first feature — a plot point Grenier, a director himself, had a hand in crafting.

"Vince wanting to direct was

part of what I was pushing for. I wanted to step up the character and allow him to evolve into that next stage of his career," said Grenier. "But for the most part Doug [Ellin] borrows from a lot of our real lives and also from what's happening out there in the zeitgeist."

Of course, Grenier has earned

Chriqui busts out of the boys' club



Emmanuelle Chriqui plays Sloan in the *Entourage* series and film. CONTRIBUTED

It's not easy being a female character in the hyper-male world of *Entourage*, but somehow Emmanuelle Chriqui's Sloan has managed to come out unscathed. And, she insists, the training has been invaluable in real life.

The *Entourage* world can be pretty testosterone-heavy. How do you approach Sloan's perspective within that?

You just have to approach whatever given situation with complete authenticity, which is all I can do as far as Sloan is concerned. There might be things that morally I don't agree with or that Emmanuelle would never forgive, but we're acting. And even in these situations where you go, "Oh my God, I can't believe it," Doug [Ellin, *Entourage*'s creator] and the writers always wrote my character with a lot of integrity.

She always did get better treatment, character-wise, than most female characters in the series.

A hundred per cent, and I'll be the first to admit it. I feel like Doug was particularly

It's like the glitz and the glamour, but on crack. That's what the show — and the movie — feel like.
Emmanuelle Chriqui, on *Entourage*

Does working on this series skew your own view of the entertainment industry?

Not really. I would say the only way that I feel it's sort of bled into my life was if I'm on a heavily male-dominated set or what have you, I feel like I've had the best training of all. I'm like, "Don't worry about me, I come from, like, all the boys." I feel like I've had a really good training ground to be strong, be in my body, not be intimidated by a heavy male dominance, and I'm super-grateful for that because a lot — not all, but a lot — of this business is made up of that.

NED EHRBAR/METRO

Adrian Grenier vs. Vincent Chase

We're sort of living vicariously through each other, comfortably sharing the same space.
Adrian Grenier

a unique view of the entertainment industry thanks to eight seasons and a movie spent playing Vince, and he insists the show's depiction of Hollywood is not as exaggerated as some make it out to be.

"It's pretty realistic. It reflects a truth, a reality in Hollywood, certainly, but also in a culture that puts fame and fortune and conspicuous consumption at the front," he said.

"It's wish-fulfillment fantasy, but at the same time it has something that's special about friendship and loyalty. And really it gives all the tools and guidelines on how to survive that world."

That loyalty bit — Vince's life-long pals that make up his entourage — is key, he explained.

"I don't think it would be as popular of a show if it was only just the indulgence. That sounds like it would be a gossip show or something," said Grenier. "This is so much more."

"It's about the characters."



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BASE jumping as a metaphor for life

DOCUMENTARY

'If you're not paying attention, you're going to be dead'

Steve Gow
For Metro

When extreme sports legend Dean Potter died leaping in a wingsuit from a ridge in Yosemite National Park three weeks ago, it thrust a somber spotlight upon the controversial sport of BASE jumping.

But as tragic as that unfortunate death was, filmmaker Marah Strauch insists there's a lot more positive in the extreme sport of diving from fixed structures (building, antenna, span, and Earth, hence the acronym) than people tend to understand. It's something she hopes to reveal in her acclaimed documentary, Sunshine Superman.

"There are a lot of amazing things happening in BASE

jumping," said Strauch during a recent interview. Rattled by the media's aversion "to report good news," she mentioned there are few examples that get favorable coverage — most notably, Felix Baumgartner's infamous 2012 supersonic skydive 24 miles above the Earth.

"It was wonderful when the media talked about that," said Strauch. "(But) I think that if he had passed away, it would've been an even bigger story. People like sensationalism (but) there's all kinds of successful things happening in BASE jumping all the time."

In Sunshine Superman, Strauch primarily focuses on the in-

spirational life of Carl Boenish — a cinematographer-turned-pioneering BASE jumper. As much as the movie utilizes Boenish's own captivating 16mm footage (which Strauch serendipitously stumbled upon through her uncle) to tell his story, the first-time director also aimed to present what people get out of leaping from tall buildings.

"These people are very freely doing what they love," said Strauch. "I identify with people who are true to their own vision of what

life should be, whatever that may be. As long as it's not harming anybody — to me, that's something I can relate to."

Strauch may have gleaned inspiration from Boenish's found footage but admits she hasn't tried BASE jumping. Instead, Strauch discovered the sport motivated her in another form — to make the documentary.

"BASE jumping isn't for everyone at all but I think that it's something that people can be inspired by," said Strauch. "For me, this idea of overcoming fears, this idea of taking risks and being focused and concentrating on that moment of exit. In BASE jumping, if you're not paying attention, you're going to be dead. That, in life, is a really good lesson to learn."



Marah Strauch CONTRIBUTED



Jean and Carl Boenish
in Sunshine Superman.
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Vanity Fair 'worked' the Net on Jenner

SOCIAL MEDIA

Editor credits 'Call Me Caitlyn' surprise success to the Internet

Graydon Carter knew Caitlyn Jenner's cover would be popular, but this popular?

That was a surprise.

"I knew it would be a thing. I had no idea how big a thing it would be. We decided to work with the Internet rather than just complain about the Internet as a monthly magazine, and it turned out to be amazing," the Vanity Fair editor said Thursday while seated front row at a Gucci cruise-wear fashion show.

By "working," Carter meant the magazine's choice to release the cover on social media and simultaneously offer prospective readers the chance to buy the article on iTunes for \$4.99.

Soon after, Jenner herself helped break the Internet with a new Twitter account that set a record for the fastest trajectory to 1 million followers — up to 2.37 million four days later. She also amassed 1.5 million followers on Instagram.

Jenner's Old Hollywood style in a creamy corset for

the cover and classic gowns in gold sequins and black were important statements for her, said Jessica Diehl, the magazine's fashion and style director who also attended the Gucci show.

And Jenner — formerly Bruce — was definitely in charge when it came to her debut in the photos shot by Annie Leibovitz.

"I think it was very important for her to come out in a very iconic, timeless but very open way," Diehl said.

Did Diehl, who has styled numerous covers for the magazine, find herself managing Jenner's nerves?

"I think the relief she feels overcomes any nervousness," Diehl said.

The shoot required unprecedented security for the magazine. Diehl hunted for looks incognito in stores.

"We did absolutely nothing digital. Normally we would send pictures to each other but everything was completely offline."

Has Diehl been in the business too long to be moved by the overwhelming attention for Jenner and the cover shoot?

"Not at all," the stylist said. "She's very inspiring."

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Vanity Fair's July cover featuring Caitlyn Jenner has drawn global attention. GETTY IMAGES



Blythe Danner, right, plays Carol, a widow and former songstress in *I'll See You in My Dreams*. BLECKER STREET/AP

Blythe spirit fresh as ever

OSCAR-WORTHY

Modest actress discusses first lead role on the big screen



Richard Crouse
Metro | Life

When I mention to Blythe Danner there is Academy Award buzz around her work as Carol, a widow taking tentative steps into the world of dating in the new film *I'll See You in My Dreams*, she says, "That, I find idiotic." Long pause. "But thank you."

Danner made her film debut in 1972, two years after she won a Best Supporting Actress Tony Award for *Butterflies Are Free* on Broadway. Since then she has amassed over one hundred film and television credits, including all three *Meet the Parents* movies and *Sylvia*, where she played the mother of Sylvia Plath as portrayed by her real-life daughter Gwyneth Paltrow.

Remarkably, *I'll See You in My Dreams* is her first lead role on the big screen. She plays Carol, a widowed woman whose carefully constructed world is rattled when she starts dating Bill (Sam Elliott).

"I think it is a very underplayed role," she says. "Yes, she runs the gamut of emotions but there is nothing that is very extreme in my playing of this role. It is heartening that people are touched by the

whole film and if they are by my performance, that is very flattering but I don't see it as an Oscar-worthy performance. I just don't see it. The possibility seems absurd to me."

The veteran actress admits to feeling uncomfortable accepting praise.

"I do think there is something wrong with me. I really do. I'm very perverse. It may be the fact that I went to Quaker schools growing up. I grew up in a household where we were always told not to get a big head about being received positively. It's the work that is important. My favourite thing when I played Nina in *The Seagull* was her speech at the end when she says, 'I know now that it is not the fame and the glory that is important, but how to endure.'

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I do think there is something wrong with me ... I'm very perverse.

Blythe Danner

Danner's wonderfully rendered portrayal of Carol is being called "quietly touching" by the New York Times and "deeply felt" by Variety but she credits writer-director Brett Haley with writing a script that was, "clear and accessible and simple."

"It was all on the page," she says. "I felt so grateful. I found it effortless. I feel a little guilty about saying that because it should have been harder. From the beginning to the end it was a gift."

DIRECTOR DEBUT

Insidious writer makes directorial debut

Insidious: Chapter 3 writer-director Leigh Whannell employed some rather unique methods to get his cast into terror mode.

On set, he used an air horn to scare the actors, and with star Stefanie Scott, he cranked up some screechy music to "prod her into this darker place."

"I would lock her in a closet and make her listen to death metal," Whannell said in an interview.

"I'm not talking about Me-

talica here. I was making her listen to Norwegian stuff. It's just like one note ... I kept her locked in there for a good hour."

Whannell wrote the first two films in the hit supernatural horror franchise and decided to make his directorial debut on the third, which opens Friday.

"I started thinking, 'Well, it would be foolish to turn down this opportunity to make a film that's guaranteed to be released in theatres, that already has a

built-in fanbase, and I really cared about it,'" said the Melbourne native, who also wrote the first three *Saw* films.

The horror flick is a standalone prequel to the previous films and focuses on psychic Elise (Lin Shaye). When aspiring actress Quinn (Scott) asks Elise to help her get in touch with her dead mother, we learn of the medium's past with an otherworldly realm known as The Further. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Stefanie Scott CONTRIBUTED



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HORROR
Insidious: Chapter 3
 Director: Leigh Whannell
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This chilling prequel reveals how gifted psychic Elise Rainier reluctantly agrees to use her ability to contact the dead in order to help a teenage girl who has been targeted by a dangerous supernatural entity.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE
 Critics: 55% Audience: 92%



DRAMA
Love & Mercy
 Director: Bill Pohlad
 Starring: Paul Dano, John Cusack

Love & Mercy presents an unconventional portrait of Brian Wilson, the mercurial singer, songwriter and leader of The Beach Boys. Set against the era-defining catalogue of Wilson's music, the film intimately examines the personal voyage and ultimate salvation of the icon.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE
 Critics: 88% Audience: 91%



COMEDY
Entourage
 Director: Doug Ellin
 Starring: Jeremy Piven, Adrian Grenier

Entourage, the big-screen version of the hit HBO series, reunites the show's original cast. Movie star Vincent Chase, together with his boys Eric, Turtle and Johnny are back ... and back in business with super agent-turned-studio head Ari Gold.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE
 Critics: 31% Audience: 84%



DRAMA
Clouds of Sils Maria
 Director: Olivier Assayas
 Starring: Kristen Stewart, Juliette Binoche

Maria Enders is an actress at the peak of her career asked to perform in a revival of the play that made her famous 20 years earlier. Back then she played Sigrid, an alluring young woman. Now she is asked to step into the other role.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE
 Critics: 89% Audience: 69%



DOCUMENTARY
The Hunting Ground
 Director: Kirby Dick
 Starring: Diane Rosenfeld

From the team behind The Invisible War comes a startling exposé of rape crimes on U.S. campuses, institutional coverups and the brutal social toll on victims and their families, weaving together vérité footage and first-person testimonies.

ROTTEN TOMATOES™ SCORE
 Critics: 92% Audience: 69%



SCIENCE FICTION
Debug
 Director: David Hewlett
 Starring: Adam Butcher, Jeanne Goossen

In this tale of deep space cyberhorror, six young computer hackers are sent to work on a derelict space freighter as a part of a work release program. They quickly fall prey to the ship's vengeful artificial intelligence, a program that would kill to be human.

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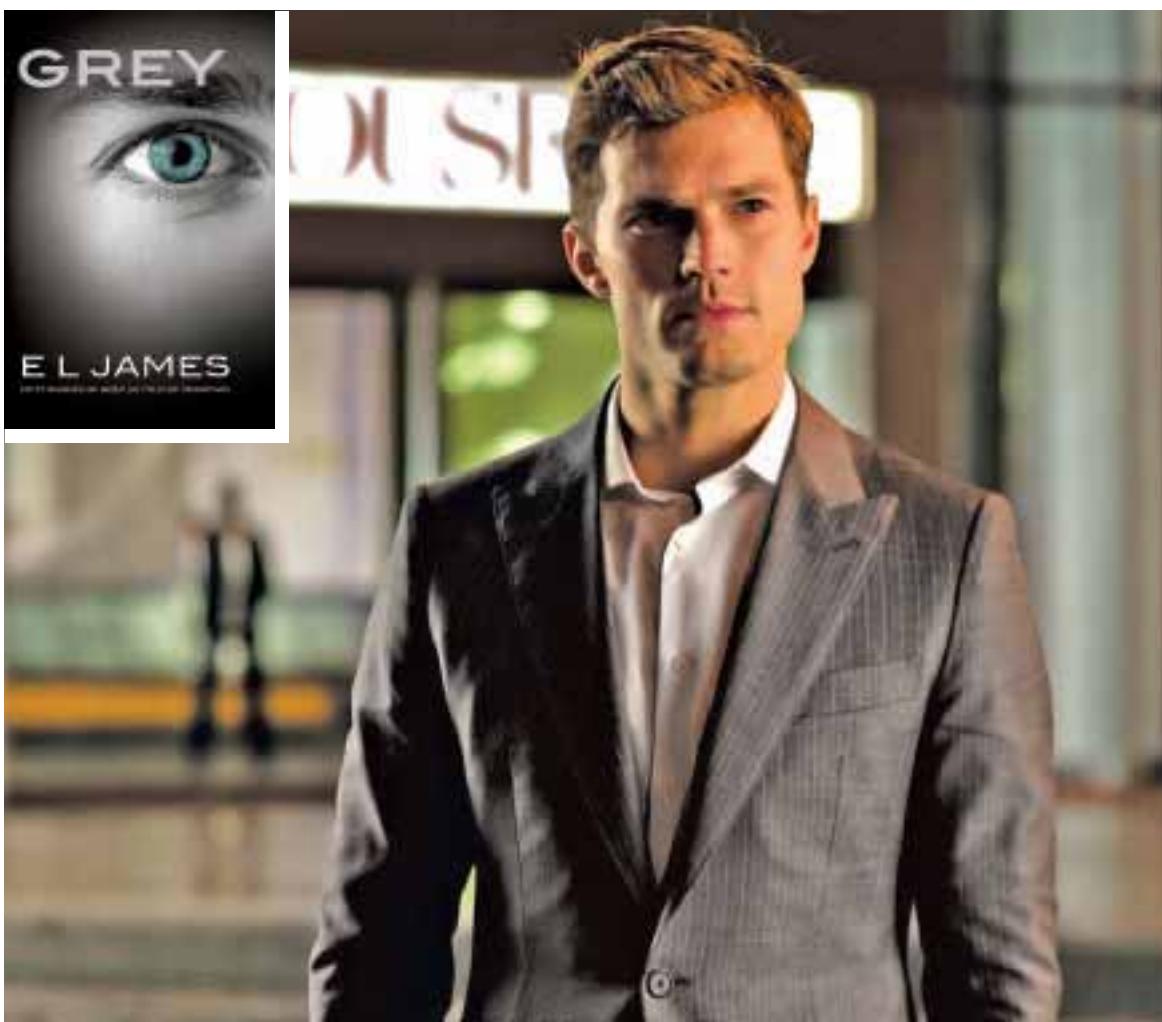
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Jamie Dornan as Christian Grey in *Fifty Shades of Grey*; inset: EL James' new book. CONTRIBUTED

Grey brings out a new shade of kink

BESTSELLER

Latest book isn't Christian Grey's first time as narrator

The new EL James book *Grey* shot to the top of Amazon's bestseller list ahead of its June 18 release on the promise it will flip the perspective of her hard-sex *Fifty Shades* story from innocent Anastasia Steele to kinky Christian Grey.

But her hordes of fans may not realize it's not the first time James has explored her massively popular trilogy from Christian's point of view.

The new book, *Grey: Fifty Shades of Grey as Told by Christian*, was announced Monday

Edward Cullen and clumsy innocent Isabella Swan. James wrote about 50 pages as an outtake from Edward's point of view for a fundraiser that benefitted a charity in 2010 as she toiled in the FanFiction.net *Twilight* community of writers under the pen name Snowqueens Icedragon.

"Some material in the book is drawn from that previous work," acknowledged Paul Boogaards, a spokesman for the Knopf Doubleday Publishing Group that includes the *Fifty Shades* trilogy's imprint, Vintage Books.

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and comes, James said, in response to numerous fan requests that she tell his side of the story. It's what she reportedly said back in 2010, when she first wrote from Edward's point of view to help raise money to fight childhood cancer with other fan fiction writers for the non-profit Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation.

The so-called EPOV pages were auctioned off and distributed to donors.

Switching perspectives is common among some fan fiction writers, who take on a variety of genres and styles while honouring their favourite books, TV shows, movies and

other entertainments.

Readers who made it to the end of the third book in the trilogy, *Fifty Shades Freed*, already know that she had teased a chapter written from Christian's point of view, included at the back of the book.

That chapter covers Christian's infatuation with the virginal Ana through their first meeting — and his stalky encounter with her at the hardware store where she works to pick up some tape, rope and cable ties.

It's unclear whether Grey will extend the *Fifty Shades* story beyond the three published books or cover old ground from the new first-person approach.

James' *Fifty Shades* trilogy has sold more than 100 million copies worldwide. The first of at least three planned movies was a blockbuster that raked in nearly \$570 million worldwide.

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I think EL James is really canny about giving her core readership what they want.

Anne Jamison, an associate professor of English at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City

COLBERT EXISTS & POETRY MATTERS

Colbert gets fighting trim ahead of his new show

Stephen Colbert's version of CBS' Late Show doesn't begin on television until Sept. 8, but he's starting to make an online presence felt.

He launched the show's new website, ColbertLateShow.com, and accounts on various social media outlets on Wednesday. CBS also released a five-minute video where Colbert talked about the beard he grew during the down period between *The Colbert Report* and his new show.

"Good news!" Colbert said on the video. "I still exist." He joked that CBS made him shave his beard because Tom Selleck's moustache has a non-compete clause.

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Young people's author named poet laureate

Jacqueline Woodson, last fall's National Book Award winner for young people's literature, has a new honour as young people's poet laureate.

The Chicago-based Poetry Foundation announced Wednesday that Woodson has been given the title "in recognition of a career devoted to writing exceptional poetry for young readers."

The 52-year-old New York City writer receives a \$25,000 cash prize, and will advise the foundation on poetry projects.

Woodson was cited by National Book Award judges in November for *Brown Girl Dreaming*, an autobiographical novel in verse.

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PAPARAZZI CHASE

Bieber pleads guilty in collision case

Justin Bieber has pleaded guilty to assault and careless driving charges in connection with a collision near his hometown of Stratford, Ont.

A lawyer for Bieber confirmed a dangerous driving charge that was laid in the case has been dropped.

Lawyer Seith Weinstein confirmed that a sentence of an absolute discharge on the assault charge and a \$750 fine for the careless driving charge has been agreed on in the case.

Bieber had been arrested and charged in the case in August last year after a collision between a minivan and an ATV in a rural area northeast of Stratford.

A lawyer for the singer had said

Bieber was on a "peaceful retreat" at the time with Selena Gomez — his on-again, off-again girlfriend — when it was disrupted by paparazzi.

Ontario Provincial Police had said the driver of the ATV and an occupant of the minivan "engaged in a physical altercation."

Const. Kees Wijnands said there were no injuries as a result of the collision, but wouldn't say whether there were any injuries from the altercation.

The court case had been set to go to trial in Stratford next month.

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Justin Bieber
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THE POWER OF LANGUAGE

What's in a word? A lot, when it comes to identity



Ryan
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Sarah Rotella and Adrianna Di-Lonardo are often asked why their popular YouTube comedy channel is called the Gay Women's Channel. Both of its creators identify as lesbian — "I also identify as a catlady," Rotella, 28, adds.

"We like to use the term gay as a hat that includes everyone in the spectrum," says Di-Lonardo, 28. "It might not be politically correct. Gay is usually associated with gay men."

With Pride festivities in full swing, how to refer to the community that is being celebrated depends on whom you ask. Monikers span the overly simplistic term "gay" to the mouthful acronym "LGBTTIQQ2SA" (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, transsexual, intersex, queer, questioning, two-spirit, asexual/ally).

"If you're in the straight world, it would be the all-encompassing word 'gay,'" says Helen Kennedy, executive director of LGBT advocacy group EGALE. But you don't have to look very far to find someone who bristles at being corralled into that catchall term. When pressed by Diane Sawyer prior to her transition, for example, Caitlyn Jenner described herself as asexual.

"I understand the ease of using just one word to sum it up, but there are lots of issues around who you are fighting for when you are saying 'gay' rights," Sidney Drmay, co-ordinator of the queer and trans group RyePride at Ryerson Uni-

versity, says. "Are we thinking about black trans women or are we just thinking about white gay dudes?"

Drmay, 20, identifies as queer and non-binary, using the pronouns "they, them and their" in place of "she/he, her/him, and her/his." "I don't like the idea of girl/boy," they says. "I prefer 'them' because I like being able to separate myself from the binary of gender. There are a lot of genders. Trying to insist that there are only two is ridiculous."

As the Outreach Committee Chair for Ottawa-based trans-

gender group Gender Mosaic, Amanda Ryan has found it nearly impossible to come to a consensus on the trans experience. "If you put 1,000 trans people into a room and ask them to come up with a definition of trans you would come up with 1,000 different definitions," says Ryan.

Far simpler for the 63-year-old is navigating the pronouns "he" and "she."

"If I am presenting female, I do prefer the female pronouns," she says. "And when I am presenting male it's he. When I am addressed as female

by the public it acknowledges that I am seen (as female) by them. It does make a difference."

Jeremy Dutcher, 24, might swap his "he" pronouns for more gender-neutral pronouns when working in his capacity as the Aboriginal Projects Coordinator at EGALE. Dutcher identifies as two-spirit, an indigenous concept for someone with two souls — one male, one female.

Originally celebrated for their spiritual significance within indigenous tribes, today the term is applied broadly to

indigenous people who identify as LGBTQ.

While '2S,' for two-spirit, is included in the larger acronym, Dutcher prefers the acronym LGBTQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer). But when EGALE was doing work surrounding youth homelessness, Dutcher advocated for the acronym LGBTQ2S to acknowledge the disproportionately high number of two-spirit youth living on the street.

Yet using the full acronym — LGBTTIQQ2SA — can prompt a teachable moment. Drmay often uses it in their work with

RyePride. "It's also a really great learning opportunity because people might be like, I don't recognize that letter," they say. "What is that letter for?"

And while LGBTTIQQ2SA doesn't exactly roll off the tongue, the conversation alone has the power to raise awareness about gender and sexual identity. "Language is powerful," Dutcher says. "LGBT folks have been pushing those boundaries around, 'what is inclusion?' The fact that we really make space for people to identify how they want to identify I think is awesome."

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VIEWS ON THE THAT REALLY, REALLY LONG ACRONYM

What part of LGBTTIQQ2SA don't you understand? Can we really make the acronym — it

stands for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transsexual, transgender, intersex, queer, questioning, two spirit, asexual/ally — work? Community leaders share their thoughts.



"I think it's really important to identify as many of the identities as you can within the acronym because I think every identity needs to be recognized."

HELEN KENNEDY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR EGALE

"It's confusing. We waste a lot of time arguing over definitions. What can we do to work together?"

AMANDA RYAN, OUTREACH COMMITTEE CHAIR FOR GENDER MOSAIC

"If our straight allies are having trouble with LGBT, it's probably pushing it a bit to add on further. Intention is what matters and how we act is what matters."

STEVEN PETROW, WASHINGTON POST COLUMNIST

GLOSSARY

LGBTQ need-to-know terms during Pride Week

Metro asked Ryan Porter, a freelance writer and former editor of the now defunct Toronto-based Fab magazine, to define some common LGBTQ slang to help you navigate the otters and puppies and bears (oh my!) during your local Pride festivities.

BEAR: *[bair]* A hirsute gay man of notable heft, often found in plaid, denim or Montana's



BREEDER: *[bree-der]* A heterosexual celebrated for their baby-making skills

BUTCH: *[boo-ch]* A lesbian of masculine demeanour or advanced home-reno skill

CHASER: *[chay-ser]* One attracted to bears who is not themselves a bear, but will happily eat all of their porridge and pass out (we're looking at you, Gol-dilocks)

CISGENDER: *[sis-jen-der]* A person whose gender corresponds to the sex organs they were born with (but we love them, anyway)

CRUISE: *[krooz]* To prowl for intimate relations in a manner that may be considered filthy, scandalous and abhorrent by well-bred individuals (Prince Harry excluded)

CUB: *[kuhb]* The iPad Mini to the bear's iPad — younger, smaller and more affordable

DADDY: *[dad-ee]* An older man

in a relationship who provides mentorship and all-around parental-style bossiness to the younger man, who may be called the "boy"

DRAG MOTHER: *[drag muhth-er]* The drag queen who mentors a young protégé in the illusionary arts

F-TO-M/M-TO-F: *[ef-too-em/em-too-ef]* If you were to describe a trans person's journey from one gender to another using a maximum of five letters, these would be those five

FEMME: *[fem]* A queer person dripping in stereotypically feminine characteristics, dahling

KIKI: *[kee-kee]* A small congregation of gay people assembling for the purpose of chit-chat, juicy disclosures and general shenanigans

LIPSTICK LESBIAN: *[lip-stik lez-bee-uh n]* A lady who loves her Maybelline almost as much as she loves boobs

MUSCLE MARY: *[muhs-uh l mair-e]* A hulking gay man who looks terrifying but actually has the complete works of Britney Spears memorized

OTTER: *[ot-er]* A hairy gay man too slender to be considered a bear and the generally agreed upon limit of really pushing this animal thing

PASS: *[pas]* to be recognized as the gender you are presenting

because is that really so much to ask for?

POCKET GAY: *[pok-it gey]* A gay man of diminutive stature who is nonetheless desirable the way King Kong really thought it would work out with Naomi Watts

POWER BOTTOM: *[pou-er bot-uh m]* A receiving sexual partner who should really see someone about their control issues

POZ: *[paws]* A person who is living (or — just maybe — thriving) with HIV

PUPPY PLAY: *[puhp-ee pley]* When two people role-play as a puppy dog and its master, except for some reason, they are both wearing, like, a lot of leather

QUEENING OUT: *[kwee-ning out]* an outlandish display of royally diva-esque behaviour by a gentleman that may inspire Wayne's World-style bowing down

READ: *[reed]* A sassy dressing down using choice witty zingers, as in, "she read that queen like it was another excellent edition of the Metro"

STR8: *[strāt]* An alternate spelling of straight, generally used by gay men in personal ads who would love to spell out the "aight" but are just far too horny

SHADE: *[shayd]* A side-eyed style of cutting remark developed by New York drag queens possessed by the ghost of Joan Crawford

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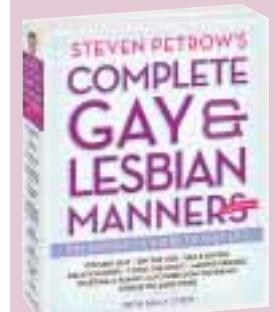
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+PRIDE PROTOCOL



In his Washington Post column Civilities, Steven Petrow offers his advice on LGBT etiquette.

Here the author of the book Complete Gay & Lesbian Manners answers our burning questions about proper forms of address during Pride.

Is it okay to say "Gay Pride"?

The most inclusive terminology is to say "the LGBT community."

When we use the word gay, for some people lesbians are included, for some they are not, and using the word gay alone definitely does not include transsexual and transgendered people.

What do I call the people in a same-sex couple?

The most important thing is to not downgrade anyone in a relationship.

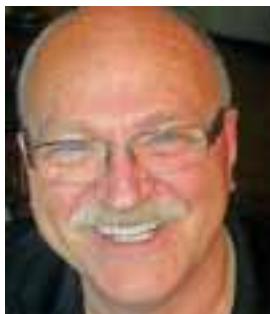
Partner is better than boyfriend if they are in a committed relationship and if they are married, husband or wife is preferred.

How do I ask someone what their orientation is?

Why would someone have a need to ask another what their sexual orientation is unless they are planning to go to bed with them?

Well-meaning questions are fair to ask but people should always ask themselves first, 'Why am I interested in this? Is there anything beyond curiosity?' If the answer is no, put a lid on it.

RYAN PORTER/FOR METRO



"It's a mouthful, is it not? Personally, I don't believe it is useful. I use the short form LGBTQ because I could never ever remember all the letters."

STEPHEN HARTLEY, PFLAG CANADA PRESIDENT



"It still starts with LGBT. The further down you go, the letters get ignored."

SARAH ROTELLA, CO-HOST OF YOUTUBE'S GAY WOMEN'S CHANNEL



"Are we doing a disservice if we don't represent every letter? Perhaps. That's where the beauty of LGBTQ (for queer) comes in, because the Q opens up a lot of space for non-normative experiences."

JEREMY DUTCHER, ABORIGINAL PROJECTS CO-ORDINATOR FOR EGALE



"It's the term that a lot of people will recognize. (By saying) the queer community, they might think you are only talking about gay dudes and gay women."

SIDNEY DRURY, CO-ORDINATOR AT EYEPRIDE

Winnipeg Likes That program

LGBTQ

Inner-city program a neutral space for community

Danelle Cloutier
For Metro

When Ricki and Randi James joined the Like That program, they knew they were right at home.

"Here it's like a family," Randi said. Every Monday, participants join at the Sunshine House for skill-building and recreational activities in a safe space where they can explore gender and sexual identity. The sisters joined the free inner-city program when it began in December 2014.

"My favourite thing is that there's no pressure to have to identify yourself," Ricki said. "You can just show up and everybody welcomes you, no matter what."

That's one of the goals of the program — from the reason for the name to the activ-

ities, participants can avoid being pegged to a certain sex or gender.

"It's such a neutral space for the community," said Levi Foy, the Like That program co-ordinator.

The program started as a research project about where people are having and selling sex and where people are using drugs. The researchers discovered that many LGBTQ people were involved in those activities and needed a safe space.

Someone asked Foy, "Where do you think those folks go to put on heels or do makeup?" That spurred the idea for the program.

Sunshine House isn't only for LGBTQ people though; it's a drop-in and resource centre focusing on harm reduction, population health promotion and social inclusion.

"If people say they're going to Sunshine House, if they're with their regular crew, they're not going to automatically associate that with being queer," Foy said. "It's a neutral space."

The program began with a \$5,000 start-up grant to carry

+ LOUD & PROUD

Make sure you catch these events during Pride Winnipeg, which runs from June 5-14.

Rally: On June 14 at 11 a.m., join the rally at the Manitoba legislative building for live music and speakers.

Pride Parade: On June 14 at noon, the parade starts at the Manitoba legislative building and ends at Broadway Street and Memorial Boulevard.

Pride Festival: Take part in the festival June 13-14 at the Forks with live performances and Queer Beer.

Closing Party: End Pride with DJs and dancing at the Met on June 14 from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m.

the program twice per month from December to April. Now, Sunshine House holds regular fundraisers to keep the



Randi and Ricki James doing a craft at the Like That program. DANELLE CLOUTIER/FOR METRO

program going, such as drag queen bingo.

It currently has a campaign on FundRazr with a goal of

\$5,000 to run the program through June and fund a float at Pride Winnipeg. The fundraiser has been a success, but

come late summer, the centre is banking on more fundraising dollars to keep the program going.

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10 years of same-sex marriage in Canada

This July marks the 10th anniversary of Canada's nationwide legalization of same-sex marriage.

For Wallace Wong, a psychologist in Surrey, B.C., the law couldn't have come sooner.

"I was thinking, I hope before I die I can get married," he said. His first partner died before same-sex marriage was legal. Because there were no protection laws in place for same-sex couples at the time, Wong lost their home and he couldn't see his partner when he died.

Now married to Steven Paull, the legalization allowed

Wong to fulfil his dream.

In 2005, the Civil Marriage Act provided a gender-neutral definition of marriage and legalized marriage in Alberta, P.E.I., Nunavut and the Northwest Territories. Before the nationwide law, laws about same-sex marriage were left up to each province and territory. B.C. was the second province to legalize same-sex marriage in 2003. Ontario was the first.

Michael Leshner and Michael Stark were the first same-sex couple to receive a civil marriage licence after it was legalized in Ontario a month before it was legalized in B.C.

"It was an extremely exhilarating moment," Stark said about Ontario's law. "When I first came out in 1980, I just never thought I'd witness this in my time."

"Marriage is kind of like the cherry on top of the sundae — it kind of completed the picture. From a legal point of view, we were on equal foot-



Kristin, left, and Gail Walker saying their vows. CONTRIBUTED

ing with the rest of society and that's something to be very proud of."

The same can't be said for other countries though. On a recent trip to Sydney, Australia, Manitoba couple Kristin and Gail Walker, who married in 2007, witnessed the fight for rights all over again.

"It was pretty humbling to be back in an environment where there's petitions, protests and a huge emphasis on changing the government's mind," Kristin said.

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Fruity & fabulous: The evolution of Queer Beer

Danelle Cloutier
For Metro

The fruity and fabulous brew is back for Pride Winnipeg with a new taste.

Half Pints Brewing Co.'s Queer Beer, made exclusively for the festival, is a big hit.

"It's the only beer that we get phone calls from Florida, New York and San Francisco saying, 'Are you going to be able to provide us with beer?'" said Dave Rudge, president of Half Pints.

The beer has changed from year to year depending on feedback from the Pride Winnipeg committee. The first year it was brewed with raspberries, which gave the beer a sharp, tannic bite in the cheeks.

"It was good but it needed to be better," Rudge said.

The next year, the company brewed the beer without raspberries but the beer was too hoppy.

Last year, Half Pints brewed the limited edition beer with



Dave Rudge, president of Half Pints Brewing Co., drinking Queer Beer. DANELLE CLOUTIER/FOR METRO

Bavarian lager yeast.

"The beer had a very distinct German bent to it where it was like a classic German Helles,"

Rudge said. "It had that soft flavour to it."

This year, the company added a Danish strain of yeast.

"It has a softer, maltier flavour to it this year, which I think will go over even better than just the regular recipe."

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The GoldenEye Hotel & Resort, Jamaica.

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Explore the Maritimes and discover food along the way

ON THE MOVE
Loren Christie

Heading to the Maritimes this summer? Let your stomach guide you.

NOVA SCOTIA

① Lobster season never ends in Nova Scotia; it just rotates around the province's different coastal regions. The Lobster Shack in **Barrington Passage** serves up a heavenly lobster fondue where diners dip skewers of toasted garlic bread and hunks of lobster into a delicious cream sauce.

② **Oxford** is the blueberry capital of the world. Time your visit for harvest season at the beginning of August



and make sure to try blueberry grunt, dumplings cooked in a blueberry sauce.

③ Located on the Bay of Fundy, the town of **Digby** is all about scallops. Have them on their own starring in a seafood chowder.

④ Quench your thirst along the Good Cheer Trail, which includes 14 wineries, 12 craft breweries, five distilleries and five brew pubs from **Yarmouth** to **Cape Breton**. It also includes two historical sites, the Fortress of Louisbourg and Port Royal, where Samuel de Champlain established the Order of Good Cheer back in 1606 as way to raise the spirits of early settlers.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

⑤ The charming fishing village of **North Rustico** is home to the Blue Mussel Café, the perfect spot to sample some of the world's best mussels.

⑥ Carr's Oyster Bar in **Stanley Bridge** serves up Malpeque oysters fresh from their own beds.

⑦ Cows Ice Cream is an island classic. Visit its factory in **Charlottetown** and sample its ice cream, old cheddar cheese and chocolate-covered potato chips.

NEW BRUNSWICK

⑧ Ever tried seaweed? Bags of dulse are sold like potato chips at Roland's Sea Vegetables on the island of **Grand Manan**.

⑨ Sample delicious Acadian treats, such as poutine râpée, pêche de soeur, poutine à trou and chicken fricot, at Le Menu Acadien in **Shediac** ...

... Or the Restaurant La Sagouine in **Bouctouche**.

⑩ Ployes are buckwheat pancakes that are hugely popular in the **Edmundston** area. Contrary to a pancake, a ploye is only cooked on one side. Before eating it, butter it up and slather it in maple syrup, brown sugar or molasses.

⑪ Ganong Chocolates in **St. Stephen** is Canada's oldest independently family-owned and operated chocolate company. They were the original inventors of the heart-shaped candy box. Try one of their original products; a Pal-O-Mine chocolate bar or chicken bones, a popular pink Christmas candy.

Cruise along the Baffin Island coastline.
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Living on edge

ADVENTURE

These skywalks are not for the faint of heart

Steve Gow
For Metro



EDGEWALK VIA FACEBOOK

EDGEWALK — TORONTO

What it is: The world record holder for “highest external walk on a building,” CN Tower’s EdgeWalk offers the chance to stroll “hands free” around the circumference of Toronto’s iconic skyscraper. While participants are harnessed for safety, daredevils are still encouraged to lean themselves out 116 storeys above the city.

Why it should be tackled: EdgeWalk not only allows for a one-of-a-kind view of Canada’s largest city, but admission also gets you a video, photos, access to the LookOut level, Glass Floor and other attractions. edgewalkcntower.ca



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GLACIER SKYWALK — ALBERTA

What it is: Jutting out from a roadside cliff-edge atop the Sunwapta valley between Jasper and Banff, Glacier Skywalk offers fearless travellers the opportunity to traverse a glass-floored walkway 918 feet over forest and waterfalls.

Why it should be tackled: For as little as \$30, intrepid tourists can experience one of the most breathtaking views in the Canadian Rockies. And if acrophobia (extreme fear of heights) doesn’t set in, you may even enjoy some of the nature-inspired interpretive exhibits along the way. glaciorskylwalk.ca

GRAND CANYON SKYWALK — ARIZONA

What it is: Attracting around 370,000 people a year, the Skywalk is the only place along the Grand Canyon where travellers can amble along a glass-bottomed walkway 4,000 feet above the Colorado River. Built in 2007, the horseshoe-shaped bridge is strong enough to support about 70 747 airplanes.

Why it should be tackled: Although the Skyway is a bit on the pricey side and in a relatively remote area, venturesome tourists say the experience is exhilarating and provides absolutely stunning views of the Grand Canyon. grandcanyon-skywalk.com

TIANMEN MOUNTAIN — CHINA

What it is: The skywalk on Tianmen Mountain in Zhangjiajie, China, is the apex for adventurers. First, daredevils need to ride the world’s longest cable car (more than 7 kilometres) just to reach a cliff-face that hangs 1,433 metres above sea level. There awaits a rickety, nearly one-metre wide glass-bottomed overhang. **Why it should be tackled:** Face your fears. Tianmen National Park also offers other plucky pursuits, including the Xianren Qiao (Bridge of the Immortals), a narrow rock bridge. chinahighlights.com/zhangjiajie/attraction



BRIDGECLIMB SYDNEY

BRIDGECLIMB — SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

What it is: If you don’t mind climbing stairs, BridgeClimb is a march over the outer arches of the iconic Sydney Harbour Bridge where you’ll be able to soak in the gorgeous panorama of Australia’s largest metropolis from 134 metres above the harbour.

Why it should be tackled: The views are simply sensational. Plus, if climbing the bridge doesn’t wear you out, your admission also includes the Pylon Lookout — a 200-stair ascent to breathtaking views of Sydney’s Opera House and three levels of exhibits about the history of the Harbour Bridge. bridgeclimb.com

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+ FIFA SCANDAL

Tournament 'can shine some light' on 'dark clouds'

Victor Montagliani says the mounting FIFA bribery scandal won't taint the upcoming Women's World Cup.

In fact, the president of Canada Soccer and chair of the tournament's organizing committee thinks the event, set to begin Saturday

in Edmonton, comes at just the right time.

"It's a positive thing that the first tournament after this, whatever happened in the

last week, is the Women's World Cup," Montagliani said Thursday. "Women's football is a very pure form of football. I think women's football can shine some light on the dark clouds that are hanging over the game."

Soccer's world governing body has been rocked by arrests and indictments on both sides of the Atlantic prompted by corruption allegations from the U.S. Department of Justice and the FBI.

A FIFA spokesperson at Thursday's news conference tried numerous times to keep questions on the topic of the tournament, but Montagliani and the other officials present were grilled repeatedly by reporters about the scandal.

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Victor Montagliani
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'Best coach I've ever had'

WOMEN'S WORLD CUP

Herdman motivates his players on and off pitch

The Canadian women call John Herdman the "Black Flash" when their coach joins in on their soccer practices. It's a name he gave himself, they note.

Herdman, who played for his university as well as semi-pro teams back home in England, has a sense of humour. He also likes his party tricks on the ball.

"He does have some moves," said veteran midfielder Diana Matheson. "The Black Flash's downfall is that he maybe uses too many moves and he gets himself into trouble and maybe causes a few goals against his team that way."

But most of all, Herdman is a master motivator and source of inspiration, his players say. No one works harder or longer.

They say Herdman has made them better players and better people.

Those skills will be put to the ultimate soccer test starting this weekend — the Women's World Cup. Canada, ranked eighth in the world, opens Saturday against No. 16 China at Commonwealth Stadium.

Herdman's journey with the Canadian women started when he took over from Carolina Morace in the wake of a disastrous 2011 World Cup that



John Herdman took over as Canada's coach following the 2011 Women's World Cup.

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saw Canada finish last.

Ask the players what state they were in after the tournament in Germany, almost every one uses the same word: broken.

One of his mentors told Herdman he needed to find a way to get the Canadian team

“
He has an inspiring way of bringing out the best in us and wanting us to be the best.

Sophie Schmidt

+ PROFILE

JOHN HERDMAN

Age: 39
Place of birth: Consett, England
Teams managed: New Zealand (2006-2011), Canada (2011-present)
Past career: University lecturer

their neighbours' shoulder and sang O Canada together. Only the English starters were on the field.

Herdman has challenged his players to become true leaders, a subject they have literally studied off the field through books and lectures. He has had them strip away defence mechanisms to share their emotions with their teammates, further strengthening team ties.

Ask his players what it's like working under Herdman, and they say it's an honour and a privilege.

"(He's) somebody that knows absolutely how to get the best out of people," said veteran defender Carmelina Moscato. "He's a high-performing guy. He's created the environment for that. And you talk about squeezing blood from a rock, I mean he's really done it with a lot of us — reinventing us."

In Canada's final warm-up game last week, every member of the match-day squad

took the field for the anthems before facing England in Hamilton. They put their arms over

reconnected after the "trauma" of the 2011 World Cup. In doing his homework, Herdman was struck by Canada's patriotism.

"My first piece was like, 'Who are you as Canadians?' That was my first question. Tell us," said Herdman. "And we went 30 minutes in a meet-

ing. They'd never been asked that before by a Norwegian or an Italian coach."

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Andrew 'Hustler' Paterson



Returning from a great vacation, I had a very strange feeling — I couldn't wait to get back to Winnipeg and back to work. Part of that is I am incredibly lucky to talk about sports for a living, but also because the next few weeks will be fantastic for Winnipeg and our sporting community.

The hangover of the Jets' all-too-brief playoff run is behind us and now our city readies itself to host the group stage of the FIFA 2015 Women's World Cup. FIFA has been in the headlines lately for all the wrong reasons.

The stench of corruption has stained soccer's governing body to such an extent that the coming months will see unprecedented reform while Sepp Blatter and his gang deal with serious charges. Fortunately, this weekend the focus will move from the greasy weasels that have been running the game worldwide to the athletes competing for the most prestigious prize in women's team sports on the planet — the World Cup.



Nadine Angerer of No. 1 seed Germany is arguably the best woman goalkeeper in the game and will be playing in Winnipeg

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matches. Germany (1), USA (2), Japan (4) and Sweden (5) will all play here as they begin their quest for a world title. It will be a privilege to see the best in the world do their thing in our city.

Winnipeg already has already proved itself as a world class host for women's sports — the 2007 IIHF Women's world championships were an incredible success. I expect nothing different for the 2015 Women's World Cup.

Even if you do not consider yourself a soccer fan or haven't watched the top female teams compete before, do yourself a favour and give the World Cup a shot. The combination of the atmosphere of international competition and the quality of the on-field product will make this an event not to be missed.

Tuesday night at the Richardson airport dozens of young girls dressed in their soccer kits welcomed Abby Wambach, Alex Morgan and team USA. It was a true thrill for the young soccer players to welcome the best in the world to our city for the biggest event in women's soccer. During a dark and embarrassing period for FIFA, these women, these fans and this competition are exactly what the sport needs right now.

Over the next two weeks Winnipeg will welcome four of the top five ranked nations in the world to the city for World Cup

IN BRIEF

BASEBALL

Goldeyes blinded by Repko's class

THURSDAY Shaw Park



The Winnipeg Goldeyes simply couldn't stop former Major Leaguer Jason Repko.

Obviously, Repko likes day baseball. The 34-year-old former member of the Dodgers, Twins and Red Sox drove in four runs to lead the Sioux Falls Canaries to a 7-4 win over the Goldeyes on Thursday afternoon.

It certainly didn't help the Goldeyes when Repko knocked in two of four runs in the first inning. The Fish were down 4-0 before they came to the plate and were never really in it again.

Winnipeg did cut the lead to 5-3 in the sixth, but Sioux Falls scored twice in the eighth to put it away.

With the loss, the Goldeyes fell to 5-8 on the season and lost their first series to Sioux Falls since 2001. The Goldeyes haven't lost a season series to Sioux Falls since 1999, but the Canaries now hold a 2-1 lead this season after taking the last two games in Winnipeg.

"We have to be more efficient throwing strikes and we can't get ourselves into a 4-0 hole in the first inning," said

Spike Lee to be involved in new NBA game 2K16

2K Games announced Thursday that it recruited the acclaimed filmmaker — and diehard New York Knicks fan — to write and direct the single-player campaign for the interactive basketball franchise's next edition.

What did it take for famous director to sign on to produce a video game? "They asked me," Lee said during a recent interview.

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Goldeyes manager Rick Forney. "When you aren't hitting and your defence is atrocious, you can't fall behind 4-0 in the first inning. That's just not going to cut it."

The Goldeyes made three errors in the first 10 games on the road to start the season, but have now made nine errors in the first three games at home.

Blackwell got the win for the Canaries, while Goldeyes starter Kyle Anderson was tagged with the loss. Former Goldeyes reliever Chase Johnson picked up his fourth save of the season.

The Goldeyes will start a new series on Friday night at 7:05 p.m. when the expansion Joplin Blasters come to town for the first time.

Canadian Rob Nixon (1-0, 1.39 ERA) will get the start for Winnipeg.

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MLB A'S ADD TO TIGERS' ANGST Oakland Athletics Sam Fuld, from left, Brett Lawrie and Eric Sogard celebrate after scoring on a triple by Josh Phegley in the second inning in Thursday's win in Detroit. Jesse Hahn allowed one run in seven innings and the A's completed a three-game sweep of Detroit, winning 7-5 and handing the Tigers their seventh straight loss.

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OMG: GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES? NOT SO, POLL SHOWS

The urban myth that gentlemen prefer blondes has been put to rest.

In fact, according to a recent survey, brunettes are just as popular with the male population, with 31 per cent of men finding golden locks to be the most attractive and the same percentage preferring darker tresses. Ten per cent of men have a weakness for redheads, while 28 per cent claim not to "discriminate" based on hair color.

The poll, which was carried out among 1,000 U.K.

respondents by the market research app OnePulse, also revealed that breasts are the most important physical attribute for men when seeking a partner. Derrieres scored a close second, with 40 per cent highlighting this as their priority.

However, when all is said and done, laughter is the best medicine — so it is perhaps for this reason that 45 per cent of men say a sense of humor can make or break how attractive a partner is. Nonetheless, physical

attributes such as build (20 per cent), teeth (10 per cent) and style (nine per cent) also play an important part in the process.

When the roles are reversed, 33 per cent of women say that being physically attracted to someone is "essential" when looking for a relationship. However, eight per cent claim they don't need to be particularly attracted to someone to like them as a partner and four per cent admit they don't need to be "at all attracted" to the other person. AFP

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* IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 19

Better times are on their way and evidence of that will be with you soon. Venus in your fellow Fire sign of Leo will encourage you to see the harmony that exists in all situations, even the ones that provoke confrontation.

Taurus April 21 - May 19

You may be tempted to work harder than ever but the planets indicate it would be better if you took the opposite approach. Slow down and don't take life so seriously.

Gemini May 22 - June 21

If you have found it difficult to get your message across of late then it should be easier today and over the weekend. Travel and social activities are also under good stars now, so get out and about and make sure you get seen.

Cancer June 22 - July 23

In recent weeks you had to get serious about your money situation but as Venus moves into the most materialistic area of your chart today you won't have to make quite so many sacrifices.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

Put recent failures and disappointments behind you and focus on all the good things yet to come. Forget all that doom and gloom stuff and make things happen. Anything is possible if you want it enough.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Try not to worry if your confidence takes a bit of a dive today. Your positive attitude will return over the weekend and you will wonder how you managed to doubt yourself. Friends and family, of course, never did.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Friendships and group activities will go exceedingly well today and over the weekend. Even if you are the kind of Libra who enjoys your own company you'll want to be where the action is. Party time!

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

The plans you make over the next few days will be important but try not to make them too restrictive. For best results you need to leave yourself some wiggle room so you can make changes as you go along. Be flexible.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

You are in one of your adventurous moods and if you are not off exploring new places it can only be because you are short of cash. Find ways to limit your spending in some areas so you can do more in others.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

It's good news all-round for money matters and business arrangements. The entry of Venus into the wealth area of your chart means you can expect some kind of windfall. A joint project will pay off big time.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

There is a lot you can accomplish alone but there is so much more you can accomplish if you join forces with people whose objectives mirror your own. Venus in your opposite sign will encourage you not to be such a lone wolf.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

A new project is more likely to be a success if you take your time and plan what needs to be done in advance. You need to take things a step at a time.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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- ½ cups cooked quinoa (½ uncooked)
- 4 cups cherry tomatoes, sliced in half (red and yellow)
- 4 cups arugula or spinach
- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 Tbsp lemon juice
- 1 tsp minced garlic
- 2 oz crumbled feta cheese
- ¼ cup fresh chopped mint or basil

mint or basil

Directions

1. If cooking quinoa, add one and a half cups stock or water to each half cup uncooked quinoa. Bring to boil, cover and simmer, on lowest heat for 15 minutes, just until quinoa is tender. Drain off any excess liquid. Add to serving bowl.
2. When quinoa is cooled, add remaining ingredients and mix well.

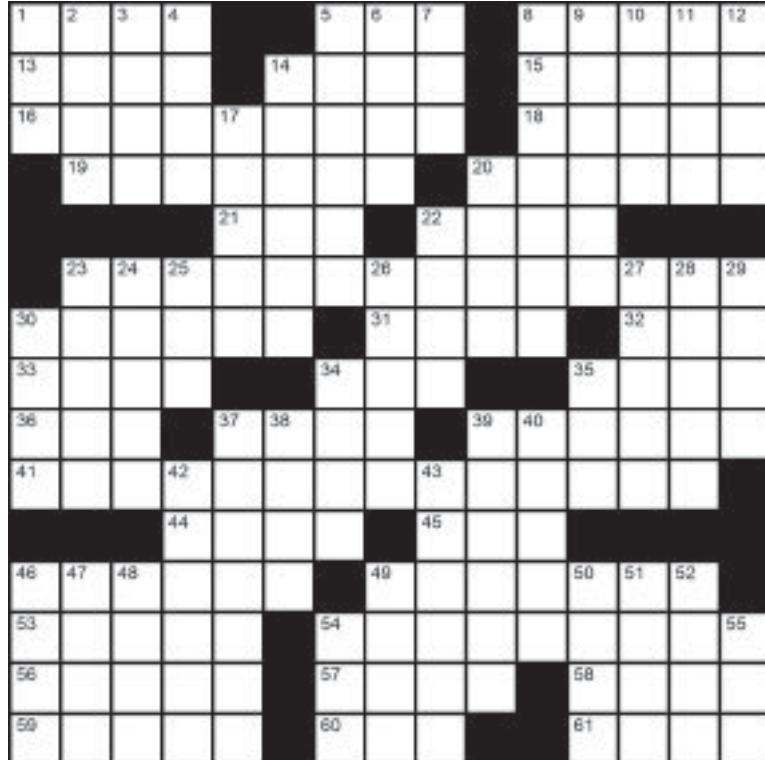
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5. Camera mugger
8. Canuck chocolate bar, with Coffee
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15. _! Canada (Celebrity/style magazine)
16. 1966 album by #54-Across: 2 wds.
18. In front
19. Psychotherapist mentioned in Barenaked Ladies song “Brian Wilson”: 2 wds.
20. Wave tops
21. Alphabetic trio
22. Capital city of Togo
23. Bit of “Brian Wilson” by the Barenaked Ladies: “__ / I couldn’t see the ground...”
30. Stalwart
31. Crucifix
32. Small, cute-style
33. Allows
34. Ruckus
35. Go through
36. And: German
37. Mayberry kid of ‘60s TV
39. Soft drink brand
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45. Ink-on-skin pic
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49. Sword fighters
53. Set of values
54. Brian Wil-



- son’s band, with The: 2 wds.
- 56. Lizard variety
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- 59. Backslide
- 60. Poetic piece
- 61. Fret

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10. Islands: French
11. Crate strip
12. Seal herds
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17. Raced in a regatta
20. __ salmon
22. City in France known for silk
23. Office item, __ pad
24. Surpass
25. “The Wrestler” (2008) star ...his initials-sharers
26. Less wet, variably
27. Without the extras
28. Light rains
29. Additional
30. Garden denizen
34. “First __!” (Rights-claimer’s exclamation)
35. For
37. Supervise
38. __ Piper
39. Position
40. __ and catch
42. Reacts like Pavlov’s dog
43. Comfy: 2 wds.
46. Tangible
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